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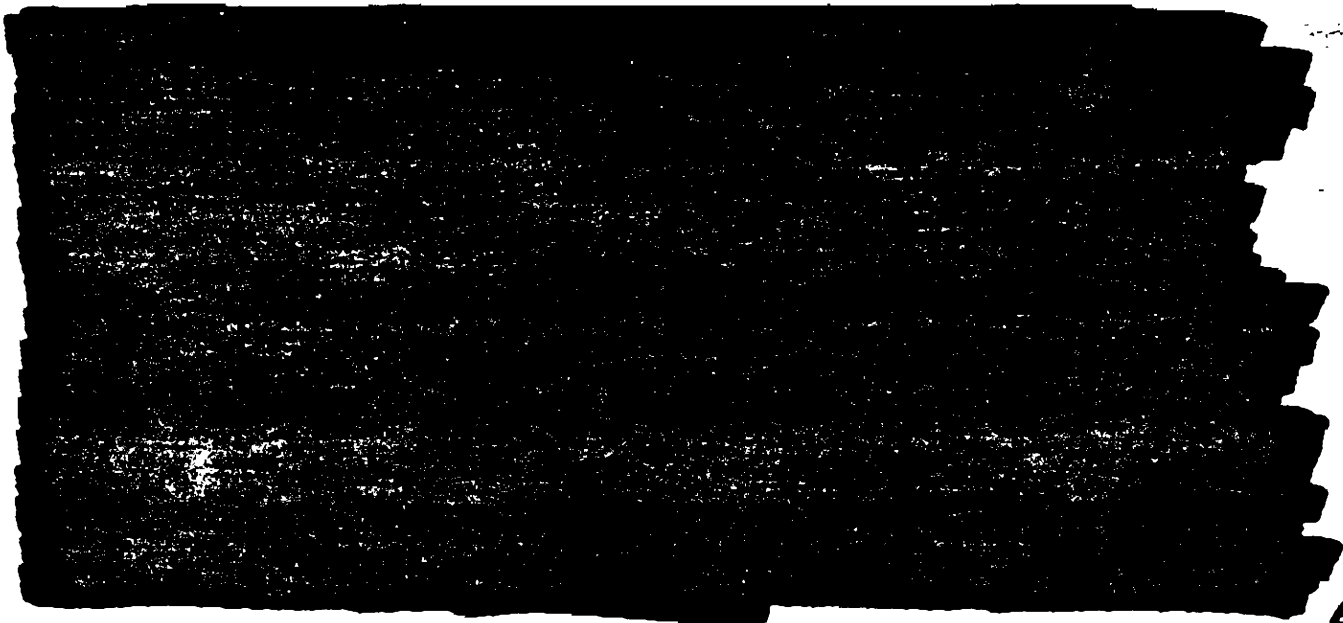
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DETAILS:


For purposes of brevity, the Los Angeles Sobell Committee will hereinafter be referred to as the LASC.

All informants designated by a "T" symbol in this report have furnished reliable information in the past unless otherwise indicated.

I. HEADQUARTERS OF THE LASC

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As of May 24, 1957, the headquarters of the LASC continued to be located at 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

II. ORIGIN

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The Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, which was formerly known as the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case and was sometimes referred to as the Los Angeles Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, adopted its present name, Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, also known as the Los Angeles Sobell Committee, about August, 1954. The avowed purpose of this committee is to have MORTON SOBELL transferred from Alcatraz Prison, to secure him a new trial and to eventually secure his complete release.

Both the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case and the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell were, from their inception, dominated and controlled by the Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP) through the assignment of Communist Party (CP) members to work on the committees and to direct the activities of the committees. In March, 1955 critical discussion by CP members was that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell should be reactivated and revitalized in a more aggressive way than it was in the past, and that its activities should be expanded in terms of securing maximum mobilization of forces to secure SOBELL's transfer from Alcatraz Prison and a new trial for him.

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IRMA (WIDGE) NEWMAN was a member of the American Youth for Democracy (AYD), from June, 1943 to 1945 while attending New York University, New York City.

The AYD has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.
[REDACTED]

DAN MARSHALL was a member of the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) as of January, 1956. b2

Re ANNE KELLER, nee Anne Berenholz, with aliases Ann Berenholts, Mrs. Frederick Paul Keller, Jr., Chine Berenholz, Ann Berenholtz, Ann Putterman, Ann Berenholz, Ann Keller
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Informant indicated that ANN BERENHOLTZ was a member of the CP as of approximately late 1953 and had been a CP member for approximately 18 years to that time.
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It was announced that the prime attractions at the dinner and rally would be 1) Senator WILLIAM LANGER, Republican of North Dakota and 2) MORTON SOBELL's rabbi at Alcatraz. It was definitely stated that LANGER had agreed to come to the conference and to speak... It was announced that as much press coverage as possible would be obtained, especially in the New York papers.

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It was announced that it was the intention of the LASC to make February 22, 1957 the day to flood President EISENHOWER with a brief on behalf of MORTON SOBELL from all over the world.

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A party to raise funds for the LASC sponsored by the Los Angeles Area Chapter of the LASC was held on January 19, 1957 at 1313 Talmadge, Los Angeles. Funds raised from this party were to go for buying a ticket to the \$100.00 per plate dinner on February 22, 1957 which ticket is to be given to a prominent person who cannot afford to spend that much money for the dinner. X

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A smorgasbord dinner sponsored by the Los Angeles Area Chapter of the LASC to raise funds for the LASC was held on January 27, 1957 at 220 North Park View, Los Angeles. X

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A fund-raising affair of the Los Angeles Area Chapter of the LASC was held on February 10, 1957 at 1835 Lucretia Avenue, Los Angeles. This affair was to raise funds to buy a ticket for a prominent person for the \$100.00 per plate dinner to be held on February 22, 1957. X

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A rally sponsored by the LASC was held on February 22, 1957 at the Embassy Auditorium, 9th and Grand, Los Angeles. Approximately 800 persons were in attendance. Slides were shown concerning steps being taken to free MORTON SOBELL from Alcatraz Prison. WARREN K. BILLINGS was chairman of the rally.

It is noted that WARREN K. BILLINGS was a defendant in the MOONEY-BILLINGS trial and was sentenced to death in connection with the 1916 Preparedness Day Bombing in San Francisco, California. His death sentence was commuted and he was pardoned in 1939 by Governor CULBERT L. OLSEN.

At this rally, BILLINGS introduced TED JACOBS, National Public Relations Representative for the Sobell Committee who made the pitch for money. BILLINGS presented a contribution from the East Bay area of Northern California. There were a few large contributions, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BILLINGS recounted what he had thought upon entering Folsom Prison in connection with his own incarceration and speculated at some length at what SOBELL might have been thinking when he entered Alcatraz. A tape recording of a former speech of Senator LANGER was made. In this tape recording, Senator LANGER stated that he was proud to represent the greatest state of the Union and related his visits to North Dakota Prison during his term as Attorney General of that state. LANGER stated that the Office of Attorney General of the United States should be as greatly concerned with protecting the innocent as it is in the prosecution of wrongdoers. LANGER stated that he is a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee and that he has visited Government prisons and that it is his recommendation that Alcatraz should be closed down permanently. LANGER also stated that he is convinced that MORTON SOBELL should be given another hearing, since too much evidence is in existence of his innocence to be ignored.

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LANGER referred to the loyalty of HELEN SOBELL and her activities on behalf of her husband. At the conclusion of this tape recording, LANGER introduced HELEN SOBELL and as LANGER was speaking HELEN SOBELL entered the stage at the Embassy Auditorium. HELEN SOBELL began her speech by thanking Senator LANGER and expressed the wish that a message be sent to him by the Assemblage expressing good wishes for a speedy recovery. She stated she looks forward to the day when Senator

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LANGER and MORTON SOBELL can stand together on the stage of the Embassy Auditorium. HELEN SOBELL stated that a letter was sent to President EISENHOWER by 107 educators and ministers of all faiths urging that SOBELL be granted executive clemency or a new trial. She spoke of Dr. LOUIS SANCHEZ PONTON, ex-diplomatic representative from Mexico to many European countries, a one-time Minister of Education in the Mexican Cabinet and a Senior Professor of Law at the University of Mexico. According to HELEN SOBELL, PONTON had important information to present concerning SOBELL's unlawful return to the United States from Mexico by the Mexican Government. HELEN SOBELL stated that in spite of these difficulties, PONTON had been granted a visa without qualification and will present his testimony at a hearing in New York on March 4, 1957.

HELEN SOBELL stated that without the support of many thousands of people all activities of the Sobell Committee would not be possible. She stated that financial support and meetings and letters are constantly needed. She read a letter from MORTON SOBELL in which he said that it was hard for him to visualize the meeting at the Embassy Auditorium. Informant advised that HELEN SOBELL stated that MORTON SOBELL, through his attorney, who visits him at the prison, is directing some of the strategy and is the one largely responsible for bringing PONTON to this country. HELEN SOBELL stated that in MORTON SOBELL's letter, he wondered what the Government fears so much that they are reluctant to grant him a new trial. HELEN SOBELL concluded by stating that her husband will never break even though he is subjected to constant inhuman pressures and asked that each member of the audience devote some small portion of each day to a thought of her husband alone in his cell and work each day on some project no matter how small which will insure his return to freedom.

At this rally, postcards were distributed addressed to President EISENHOWER. These cards urged President EISENHOWER to exercise his executive authority by asking the Attorney General to consent to a new trial for MORTON SOBELL or granting him executive pardon or commutation.

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A fund-raising party to benefit the Valley Chapter of the LASC was held on March 9, 1957 at 2233 Laguna Avenue, San Luis Obispo, California. Approximately 150 persons were present. At this party, WIDGE NEWMAN spoke on behalf of the Sobell Committee. She said that for the benefit of anyone present who was not familiar with the case, SOBELL had been sentenced to 30 years in Alcatraz, even though the only witness used against him was concerned with self-exoneration and could furnish no proof. She stated that no proof of a crime had ever been presented and the accusation was association with others, namely ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG who planned to commit a crime in the future.

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NEWMAN detailed the events of the hearing held on March 4, 1957 in New York at which time Judge MEDINA had insisted that the Government's attorney state specifically whether or not SOBELL had been deported illegally from Mexico. According to NEWMAN, the Government's attorney said that SOBELL had been deported legally from Mexico. NEWMAN stated that this was refuted by the testimony of Dr. LOUIS SANCHEZ PONTON. NEWMAN went into great detail on the actual physical arrest of SOBELL at his residence.

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IX. LEGAL ASPECTS

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[REDACTED] made available a press release issued by the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in New York. This release is set forth in its entirety as follows: b7D

"We are sending you the notes on which the eminent Mexican attorney and former government official, Dr. Luis Sanchez Ponton, based his oral argument on the Morton Sobell case before the U. S. Court of Appeals on March 5 in New York City. They can be quoted in full or in part. The Court has reserved decision.

"Dr. Sanchez Ponton was formerly Minister of Education of Mexico, Ambassador from Mexico to numerous countries, and is now senior law professor at the University of Mexico and an authority on constitutional and international law. His argument, which he presented to the Appeals Court in support of Morton Sobell's request for a new trial, has bearing not only on the Sobell Case itself but on issues of importance to the United States and Mexico.

"Please note that in addition to Dr. Sanchez Ponton's argument, Morton Sobell's New York attorneys argued on other aspects of Sobell's efforts to prove his innocence of the charge of conspiracy to commit espionage."

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X. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

A. Connections with the Communist Party (CP)

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A meeting of the [REDACTED] Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP) was held [REDACTED]

At this CP club meeting, considerable concern was expressed about the Socialist Workers Party's (SWP) active interest and participation in the LASC. It was pointed out that the CP feels that all Trotskyites are out to destroy any good work that can be done. This matter presented a problem as to how it should be handled inasmuch as it was felt that the impression should not be conveyed that the LASC is being run by the CP. It was decided to refer this problem to a higher authority in the CP.

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B. Connections with the SWP

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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At this meeting, it was pointed out that the "witch hunts" that are being held are frame-ups in which the witnesses for the prosecution are a bunch of lying stooges. WIDGE NEWMAN spoke on the "frame-up" of SOBELL. WIDGE NEWMAN told of MORTON SOBELL's attending New York City College, his marriage and children and then stated that he got a Civil Service job in Washington in which job he worked and met JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG. WIDGE NEWMAN stated that MORTON SOBELL was going to be arrested by the FBI so he got in his car and drove to New York to the ROSENBERGS and left a brief case, in which he had some documents he said were too hot to keep but too valuable to destroy because he had been followed by two men in a car all the way from Washington. NEWMAN stated that after SOBELL lost his job, he and his wife and children went to Mexico City in 1945. At this time, according to NEWMAN, the FBI was trying to trump up a charge to imprison him as a Communist advocating the overthrow of the Government. In Mexico they spotted him living in an apartment house and the Mexican Security Police visited him and told him that he was JOHNNY JONES wanted in Acapulco for bank robbery. This was the charge to give the FBI the right to extradite him for they do not allow extradition in Mexico on anything of a political nature. Being established as a bank robber made SOBELL an undesirable in Mexico. According to NEWMAN, police officers beat him and his wife up and brought them to the border and turned them over to the FBI. Charges were cooked up against him. He was tried and convicted on false testimony. NEWMAN explained that now the LASC is fighting for his release. B7D

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A forum was held [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to discuss the question "Is There a Future for American Socialism?" The SWP and CP were represented at this forum. A spokesman for the SWP laid out six proposals for unity among left-wing organizations. Included was the proposal to aid the efforts of the Sobell Committee. b2
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C. Connections with the
Downtown Club

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[REDACTED] it was reported that Senator LANGER is interested in the Sobell Committee and will be in Los Angeles on February 22, 1957 on behalf of the LASC. b2
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D. Connections with the
Jewish Information Service
(Los Angeles Jewish Cultural
and Fraternal Clubs (LAJFCF);
Fraternal Medical Plan of the
California Fraternal Service
Association)

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WIDGE NEWMAN of the LASC was introduced as a speaker. She spoke about activities of the LASC and its success in having Senator WILLIAM LANGER participate in the Committee's efforts to free MORTON SOBELL, now serving a 30-year sentence in Alcatraz. She told of a \$100.00 per plate dinner scheduled for February 22, 1957. b2
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NEWMAN stated that the LASC is planning a large function on February 22, 1957 at the Embassy Auditorium, 9th and Grand, Los Angeles and requested the members of the LAJCFC to take tickets for this function and also coupon books with a picture of Senator LANGER on it to raise money for the Committee. She asked those present to take the matter up with their various clubs and advised of the urgency of this matter.

E. Connections with the
Emma Lazarus Jewish
Women's Clubs (ELJWC), aka
Emma Lazarus Council of
Jewish Women

XI. MISCELLANEOUS

"DAILY PEOPLE'S WORLD" ("DPW")

The "DPW", now known as the "People's World", became a weekly publication in February, 1957 and is a West Coast Communist newspaper.

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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

The FBI has never conducted an investigation of the American Civil Liberties Union. It is noted that the Fifth Report of the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities (1949) notes the following: "American Civil Liberties Union: Cited as heavily infiltrated with Communists and fellow travelers and frequently following the Communist Party line and defending Communists, particularly in its Los Angeles unit. (California Committee on Un-American Activities Report, 1948, pages 108-12)."

In connection with the foregoing citation the following is noted: In January, 1955, an official of the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities advised that a representative of the American Civil Liberties Union contacted the Committee to discuss the above citation. At that time this individual advised that two members of the American Civil Liberties Union in Los Angeles had been expelled because of their pro-Communist sympathies. On May 27, 1955, a representative of the California Senate Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities advised that the status of the American Civil Liberties Union, insofar as the Committee's evaluation is concerned, has not been changed and that the Committee's past characterizations of the American Civil Liberties Union remain the same.

In connection with the above, it is noted that the 34th Annual Report of the American Civil Liberties Union (for the year 1954) re-affirms the anti-Communist and anti-Fascist policy of the American Civil Liberties Union and maintains also that it will defend the civil liberties of all persons regardless of any political party, organization, denomination, race or nationality to which a person may belong.

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DOWNTOWN CLUB

An informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 31, 1955 that the Downtown Club is a former Independent Progressive Party Club which became an autonomous organization during the Spring of 1955 after the Independent Progressive Party had lost its place on the ballot. Its principal activity is to sponsor a weekly forum which frequently features Communist Party members, and it follows the program set up by the Independent Progressive Party.

The Independent Progressive Party has been described by the California Committee on Un-American Activities in its 1948 report, page 41 as follows: "Among typical mass organizations that are victims of Communist domination."

APPENDIX

EMMA LAZARUS JEWISH WOMEN'S CLUBS, aka
Emma Lazarus Council of Jewish Women

An informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 21, 1956, that the Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs of Los Angeles are affiliated with the Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs having National Headquarters in New York, New York, which, until the early part of 1951, were known as the Emma Lazarus Division, Jewish People's Fraternal Order. According to the informant, the Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs, Los Angeles, about 1952 and early 1953 were also referred to as the Emma Lazarus Council of Jewish Women.

The Jewish People's Fraternal Order has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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**JEWISH INFORMATION SERVICE (LOS ANGELES
JEWISH CULTURAL AND FRATERNAL CLUBS;
FRATERNAL MEDICAL PLAN OF THE CALIFORNIA
FRATERNAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION)**

An informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on July 3, 1956 that the Jewish Information Service was formed about January, 1954 in Los Angeles for the purpose of continuing "cultural" activity of the International Workers Order. The Jewish Information Service guides the activity of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs. Prior to March 4, 1956, the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs were identified as the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural Clubs, this group being formerly known as lodges of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order. The Jewish Information Service and the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs are currently active in the Los Angeles area.

The Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association was formed about January, 1954 for the purpose of continuing the activity of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order Medical Plan. Since that date, the functioning of the Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association has been integrated into the operation of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs inasmuch as the service provided by the Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association is made available almost exclusively to members of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs; further, effort is made to have members of the Los Angeles Jewish Cultural and Fraternal Clubs also become members of the Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association.

The Fraternal Medical Plan of the California Fraternal Service Association is currently active in the Los Angeles area.

The International Workers Order and the Jewish People's Fraternal Order have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

APPENDIX

NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD

The Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities Report on the National Lawyers' Guild, House Report No. 3123, dated September 21, 1950, cited the National Lawyers' Guild as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents".

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Copies of this report have been designated to FIO, Region II and OSI, District 18, Maywood, for the interest of those agencies. Copies have also been designated to San Francisco and San Diego for information since it has been indicated that there is a close alliance between the LASC and the Sobell Committees of those areas.

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Will continue to follow and report the activities of the LASC six months from the date of this report.

INFORMANTS

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REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM J. PANTTAJA dated 12/20/56 at Los Angeles.

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-130823) (7-2)

DATE: 6/24/57

FROM : SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN

SUBJECT: LESGFC
IS-C

Source	[REDACTED]
Reliability	Who has furnished reliable information in the past.
Date of Activity	6/5/57
Date Received	6/6/57
Received By	SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN
Location of Original Report	[REDACTED] 01

Attached is a verbatim copy of sources report concerning his attendance at a LESGFC meeting 6/5/57.

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Ph. [unclear]

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NY 100-130823

D.T. 6-5-57

Report on the Lower East Side Guardian Forum
held Wednesday evening, June 5, 1957

[REDACTED]

James Aronson, editor of the National Guardian was the main speaker. The forum was based on a "Meet the Press, Question and Answer Period," meeting. Paul Greenberg introduced Aronson. Before doing so Paul made a few announcements. He mentioned the Sobell Party, to be held June 6, 1957; the coming American Forum for Socialist Education: forum to be held June 12 at the Community Church, 35th Street at Park Avenue; and a Guardian sponsored weekend to be held June 21 to 23 at a mountain resort.

Paul introduced Aronson as a founder of the of the Guardian newspaper, as a man with varied experience in the newspaper business working for such paper as the New York Post and the N.Y. Times.

Paul then asked Aronson a few question concerning the founding of the newspaper, its staff, and its financial status or how it maintain itself financially. Aronson replied that it began as an idea between himself & Cedric Belfrage while in the Army in 1945. The staff developed and John T. Mc Manus joined them as General Manager. In 1948 16,000 copies of the paper were mailed out to paper

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of left sympathies and 4,000 responded, stating they would subscribe to the paper. The initial financial outlay was presented by Josh Gitt, a progressively minded publisher from York, Penna. The paper today has about 35,000 subscribers and most of the cost of printing the paper comes from the subscription. Additional monies come from parties, outings, donors etc.

Paul then asked Aronson the position the Guardian takes on events occurring in the domestic & foreign scene that would effect the Left.


Aronson replied that the Guardian tries to be a source of information rather than a political sounding board. It tries & has succeeded in staying clear of the cleavages & splintering that have split the left in the past few years. The Guardian tries to bolster unity among the various Socialistic Sects but it does not act as a sounding board for any of them.

Paul then asked how the staff of the Guardian maintains itself and how disagreements are compromised especially on a very touchy subject such as Hungary & Poland. Aronson replied that the staff meets each week and discusses what will comprise the paper and in most cases disagreements are worked out without too much difficulty. Aronson said the Anna Louise Strong Case & the Tito split with Russia were the only two times that major disagreements split the Guardian staff. The Tito incident was more serious because it occurred in 1949 when the paper was in its formulative stage.

A few other questions were asked by Paul concerning the division in the Left and how the basis for unity must be laid before any serious political action can be taken. Paul also asked Aronson if the Guardian was a socialist paper rather than a progressive one. This supposedly was asked Paul by a Michael Baker, several weeks before. Aronson laughed at this question and said

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that even though the Guardian's staff proably believed in Socialism, this did not mean that the paper was a socialistic one. No faction of the Socialists parties was ever given support over another.



Questions were then asked from the floor. A woman asked if the Guardian was going to distribute the many pictures they took of the Prayer Pilgrimage in Washington D.C. last month. Aronson replied this would perhaps be a good idea if the cost would not be prohibitive. He said he would bring this up with the staff and the Art Editor.

Frank and Paul Alexander asked questions concerning the Russian situation and how it effects the future of American socialism. Paul Alexander said he got out of the Communist Party three years ago because anti-Semitism. Aronson replied that all socialist must realize that Russia made itself over from a backward country to the second most powerful in a period of less than forty years. Being socialist we must realize this but also being American we cannot overlook the mistakes made by Russian leaders while doing this. Here Aronson made reference to the American Forum and stated that the group would not have gotten of its feet if not Muste & Mc Manus prevented the old cleavage agrument from Cropping up such as Hungary, civil liberties, the twenty-Congress etc. The Guardian in its paper hopes to point out the way without stating a preference for any group or activity. The remaining question were opinions. The lawyer Bob asked Aronson what he meant when he said that Socialism is inevitable in this country. Aronson gave a very weak answer to this one. The forum broke up about 11:00 PM.

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AIR-TEL

REGISTERED MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)
 FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37657)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
 JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
 IS - C; ISA OF 1950

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He described
 HENNRICH as the Chairman of the Philadelphia SOBELL Committee
 which [REDACTED] has been inactive for some time.

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HENNRICH

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648) 0

RE: LOS ANGELES SOBELL COMMITTEE
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[REDACTED] has furnished a circular letter dated June 19, 1951, from the Los Angeles Sobell Committee signed by WIDEE MENJAN (DENA VIVIAN MENJAN, Chairman of the Committee). After referring to the ROSENBERG clemency plea of four years ago the letter states that many leading citizens are making known their support for a new trial for MORTON SOBELL including Senator WILLIAM LANGER, RUFUS DAVIS, former Governor CULBERT OLSON, I. F. STONE, Dr. LINUS PAULING, and others. In making a plea for contributions the letter states "Some time in the next few days we will file our recommendation for a new trial before the United States Supreme Court. Recent decisions of the Supreme Court favorable to civil liberties afford us every hope that a full hearing in the SOBELL case can be ordered. In the weeks to come thousands of community leaders throughout the country will be visited, receive material and a request to add their name and support for Supreme Court review. New evidence continues to be obtained, and investigations are being intensified. ~~We~~ WITH OUR will we keep faith in the combination of truth and the American people - we come to you for help." Photostatic copies of the above letter are enclosed herewith. 81

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SOURCE: [REDACTED] [Handwritten signature]

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF AINLS

Los Angeles Sobell Committee

JUNE 19, 1957

We address you in the name of Justice.

Four years ago, today, perhaps you were among those who raised the international plea for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg because you opposed capital punishment, or because you became convinced of reasonable doubt of innocence. Perhaps you read a copy of the trial transcript, attended a meeting at a neighbor's house, heard your minister or rabbi speak on the case, saw the facts in a newspaper, or received committee material - whichever way it happened - you became one of literally millions of Americans who acted on behalf of Justice.

Today, a listening America has begun to hear the facts in the case of Morton Sobell, and such leading citizens as Senator William Langer, Elmer Davis, former Governor Gilbert Wilson, J.F. Stone, Dr. Linus Pauling, and hundreds of religious leaders, educators, editors, and professionals are making their support for a new trial known.

Sometime in the next few days we will file our motion for a new trial before the United States Supreme Court. Recent decisions of the Supreme Court favorable to civil liberties afford us every hope that a full hearing into the Sobell case can be ordered.

In the weeks to come, thousands of community leaders throughout the country will be visited, receive material and a request to add their name and support for Supreme Court review. New evidence continues to be obtained, and investigations are being intensified.

With our complete faith in the combination of truth and the American people has come to you for help. We ask you to remember how important you are to the fight for justice because you know what the facts can do.

You can free Morton Sobell.

Widge Newman

Widge Newman
For the Committee

all 7/10/57 12:11:21

Los Angeles Sobell Committee

JUNE 16, 1957

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Widge Newman
For the Committee

address to/for 10/11/57-200

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) (7-2)

DATE: 6/25/57

FROM : SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MARTIN SOBEL
IS-C

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN, on [redacted] with a leaflet announcing the 6/8/57, "Mardi Gras Party" at 35 8th Ave., Second Floor, under the auspices of the "Justice for SOBEL Advertising Committee."
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This leaflet is maintained as 100-107111-

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) (7-2)

DATE: 6/26/57

FROM : SA WILLIAM G. LINERAN

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MARTIN SOBELL
IS-C

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA WILLIAM G. LINERAN on [redacted] with a leaflet announcing the 6/8/57 "Mardi Gras Party, " at 35 1/2th Ave., Second Floor, under the auspices of the "Justice for SOBELL Advertising Committee."

DEFENSE

This leaflet is maintained as 100-107111- 070
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6/21/57

SA PHILIP H. SUREDAN, Sect 7-2.

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
WORTON SOBELL (MISC GROUP)
IS - C

[REDACTED] advised that on 6/13/57 an individual, acting for "F. W. SOBELL" made arrangements for the use of Room 3 at the Premier Palace for a meeting of the "East New York and Brownsville Sobell Committee" to be held on 6/21/57. The individual making the arrangements refused to identify herself. b7D

On 6/21/57, surveillance was placed on the above premises by SAs STEPHEN E. WOLF, THOMAS JACOBSON, JR., JOSEPH J. MAC FARYAN, and the writer. The meeting, which was scheduled for eight P.M., commenced at approximately 9:05 P.M. and consisted of a collection at the door for admission, a showing of film strip on the life of WORTON SOBELL, a short discussion of the ROSENBERG - SOBELL case, a short question and answer period and a collection. The amount of money collected was not announced. Names of individuals attending the meeting were not announced and most of the proceedings were conducted in low-conversational tones, making it difficult to hear.

A photographic surveillance was conducted and photos were obtained of persons entering the room. A copy of these photographs is being made an exhibit in NY file 100 - 107111 as 16 7-2. A copy of these photographs is being made available to Section 12 for viewing by agents familiar with members of the Communist Party in that area. If the event that persons are identified, their identity should be entered on the paper on which the photograph is mounted, together with the name of the agent and/or informant and the date that identity is established.

On page (9) of the Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications (and Appendix) dated January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U.S. House of Representatives is a citation for captioned organization.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (100-42407)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-21613)(#1)

SUBJECT: POWELL-SCHUMAN DEFENSE FUND, aka
 IS - C
 ISA of 1950
 (OO: San Francisco)

DATE: 6/28/57

The "National Guardian" (issues of 6/3 and 10/57, page 11, column 1) announced that JULIAN SCHUMAN, author of "Assignment in China," would speak on New China. CARL MARZANI, author and lecturer would speak on the Schuman-Powell case. Proceeds were to go to the Powell-Schuman Defense Fund. The speeches were to take place at 8:30 p.m., Friday, 6/7/57, at The Club House, 150 West 35th St., NYC. The affair was sponsored by "Citizens for Democratic Socialism".

4 - San Francisco (RM)
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1 - Newark

1 - NY (100-30578) (West Side Citizens for Democratic Socialism) (7-3)

1 - NY (100-130705) (NY Citizens for Democratic Socialism) (7-3)

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[REDACTED] attended the above described affair. The information furnished [REDACTED] and set out in this letter is documented as follows:

Source

[REDACTED]

Reliability

Who has furnished reliable information in the past

Description of Information Furnished

[REDACTED] oral comments re affair held 6/7/57, NYC, for the benefit of the Powell-Schuman Defense Fund

Received by

SA ALESIO SAVIOLA (oral)

Date Received

6/12/57

Location

Instant letter

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The meeting started at 9:00 p.m. with about 70 people present. The meeting ended at 11:00 p.m. SCHUMAN and MARZANI spoke for about 40 minutes each. The audience was allowed to ask questions of SCHUMAN before the meeting ended.

During his talk, SCHUMAN compared conditions in China under Communism with conditions

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1 - NY (100-131040) (AFSE) (7-3)
1 - NY (100-107111) (Sobell Committee) (7-2)

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in China under CHIANG KAI-SHEK. According to SCHUMAN, there was no question but what economic conditions were much better in China under Communism. He also claimed that under Communism, the Chinese people enjoy greater freedoms.

MARZANI heatedly discussed the indictment against SCHUMAN. MARZANI emphasized that SCHUMAN wrote the facts as he saw them and, as a publisher, had the right to do so.

MARZANI called DULLES a "stupid bastard." He claimed that the US, by sending arms to Nationalist China, had actually aided the Communists to conquer China. He explained this by saying that many of the Nationalist troops, after receiving American arms, defected to the Communist cause and used those American arms against what remained of the Chinese Nationalist troops.

MARZANI read some of the charges in the indictment against SCHUMAN. He attempted to make the charges/parables. For example, SCHUMAN was charged with describing the US Government as internally corrupt and described officials of the US Government as reprehensible. At this point, MARZANI shrugged his shoulders as if to say there is nothing wrong with that charge. MARZANI stated that SCHUMAN was charged with printing in his periodical that the US engaged in the use of bacteriological warfare in Korea. MARZANI did not state that he felt that the charge was true. However, he related that when he was associated with OSS in Italy, two men flew to Rumanian and returned with tons of data without anyone knowing about it. By relating this story, MARZANI tried to get across the point that it would have been possible for the US to have used bacteriological warfare in Korea with only a very few persons having first hand knowledge of it.

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MARZANI stated that the whole case against POWELL-SCHUMAN was an attempt to stifle the reporting of facts, and implied that SCHUMAN and FOWELL were being made scapegoats.

MARZANI offered to those present the book "Assignment in China" free, if they would join the Liberty Book Club with which he was associated. The moderator (unidentified) suggested that anyone who took advantage of this offer ought to contribute \$2 to the Powell-Schuman Defense Fund.

Admission to this affair was \$1. No collection was taken up. However, those in the audience were urged to send contributions to the Powell-Schuman Fund, Box 202, Cooper Station, NY.

Inside the club house and while waiting for the affair to start, [REDACTED] obtained from unidentified individuals 2 items which he turned over to SA ALESIO SAVICIA. These are documented as follows: b7D

Source

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Reliability

Who has furnished reliable information in the past

Description of the 2 items furnished:

1. Notice that the Sobell Committee Carnival to be held in NYC was postponed from 6/1/57 to 6/8/57.

Location
NY 100-107111-1E783

2. Flyer Advertising AFSE meeting of 6/12/57 at NYC

NY 105-21618

Location
NY 100-131940-1B1(2)

Date Received

Both items were received
6/12/57

Received by

Both items were received
by SA ALESIO SAVIOLA

First described document announced that the carnival, sponsored by the Justice for the Sobell Committee, originally scheduled for 6/1/57, would be held instead on 6/8/57 at 35 8th Ave., NYC.

A telephone call to the Information Operator of the NY Telephone Co. reflected that one RONALD JOHNSTON resides at 35 8th Ave. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Information Operator furnished the information requested without asking any questions. There is also some information available in the NYO which indicates that NORMA ARONSON may be in some way associated with the address 35 8th Ave., NYC. b7c

The second document described above announced that the American Forum for Socialist Education (AFSE) would hold its first public meeting at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, 6/12/57, at the Community Church, 35th Street and Park Ave., NYC, a contribution of \$1 would gain admission. The speakers for this affair were as follows:

A. J. MUSTE, American Forum
DOROTHY DAY, Educator, the "Catholic Worker"
Dr. STRINGFELLOW BARR, Educator
CONRAD LYNN, Civil Rights Attorney

A panel would be present to answer audience questions. According to the flyer, the panel would

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be composed of the following members of the National Committee of the AFSE and others:

Dr. ALBERT E. BLUMBERG
BERT COCHRAN
DAVID DELLINGER
FARRELL DOBBS
CLIFFORD T. McAVOY
JOHN T. McMANUS
JOSEPH STAROBIN
GEORGE STRYKER
DOXEY A. WILKERSON

A copy of this letter is being furnished to the Newark Division for whatever action they may deem appropriate, inasmuch as DAVID DELLINGER, a member of the National Committee of the AFSE, resides in New Jersey.

San Francisco is being furnished copies of this letter, inasmuch as it is the OO in the Powell-Schuman Defense Fund case. The information may be used in any appropriate manner.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SAN DIEGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE JUN 28 1957	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 6/17, 18, 19, 20/57
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL, aka San Diego Sobell Committee, Morton Sobell Defense Committee, Sobell Defense Committee, San Diego Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell		REPORT MADE BY RUSSELL P. CURTIS	TYPED BY mbk
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SYNOPSIS:

San Diego Sobell Committee (SDSC) continues to raise funds for defense of MORTON SOBELL. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Only officers are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Secretary. [REDACTED] SDSC has not been discussed at meetings of San Diego Communist Party (CP). *870*

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DETAILS: The title of this case has been marked changed to reflect the name Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS) as reflected on stationery from New York Headquarters of this organization.

CSJMS, as used hereafter, refers to the National Headquarters of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, New York.

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The San Diego Sobell Committee (SDSC) will be used to refer to the San Diego adjunct of the CSJMS.

The Communist Party and the Communist Party, USA, will be referred to as the CP and CPUSA by initials, respectively.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the U.S. pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

All informants designated by T symbols in this report have furnished reliable information in the past, unless otherwise designated.

GENERAL ACTIVITIES

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MALCOLM SHARP, Professor of Law at University of Chicago, is Advisor to the University Communist Club. House Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, August 25, 1956, "Trial by Treason", p.52.

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[REDACTED] advised on December 5, 1955 that as of August 15, 1955 PATRICIA GREEN (PAT GREEN) was an active member of the Community Unitarian Fellowship (CUF). b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On February 14, 1957, [REDACTED] made available an undated announcement from CSJMS entitled "Keep the Presses Rolling With the Facts in the Sobell Case", which stated that 50,000 copies of the first printing of a four page newspaper were available for \$20.00 per 1,000 or \$3.00 per 100. The newspaper, according to the announcement "will guarantee that as the case goes before the Appeals Court this Fall, many more Americans will know the facts". b7D

[REDACTED]

On March 6, 1957 [REDACTED] advised that as of February 22, 1957 TED JACOBS was Executive Secretary of the Sobell Committee in New York City. b7D

ROCKWELL KENT is described by California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, p.391, as an outstanding Communist.

The California Committee on Un-American Activities Report, 1951, p.53, describes RING LARDIER, JR. as "now under sentence for contempt of Congress".

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On February 14, 1957 [redacted] advised that a press release dated December 12, 1956 from CSJMS was entitled "Appeals Court Asked to Free Morton Sobell Because of Fraud by Prosecutors". The press release [redacted] stated that SOBELL was fighting for an opportunity to establish his innocence and prove his trial was fraudulent. It stated new evidence proves SOBELL was never legally deported from Mexico, that SOBELL and his wife and child were illegally kidnapped from Mexican soil by prosecution agents without knowledge of any Mexican authorities, and that the prosecution resorted to fraud to give a false impression of SOBELL as a fugitive. B7D

"SOBELL's attorneys quoted the Appeals Court finding that the prosecution did in fact claim that SOBELL had been legally deported from Mexico."

The press release stated that SOBELL's attorneys challenged U.S. Attorney PAUL WILLIAMS to either refute or accept the validity of the new evidence. It stated that WILLIAMS had stated before the lower court that the prosecution never meant to imply that SOBELL was "legally deported".

The press release stated that SOBELL's attorneys quoted Chief Justice WARREN of the U.S. Supreme Court as saying: "The dignity of the U.S. Government will not permit the conviction of any person on tainted testimony... The Government of a strong and free nation does not need convictions based upon such testimony".

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[Redacted block] stated that on December 12, 1956

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Dr. KLAUS EMIL J. FUCHS was arrested in England on February 3, 1950 on charges of espionage for the Soviet Union. He was found guilty and sentenced to a term of imprisonment March 1, 1950.

On October 18, 1950 DAVID GREENGLASS pleaded guilty of conspiracy to commit espionage for the Soviet Union.

On July 20, 1950, HARRY GOLD pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy to commit espionage. He testified he was courier between DAVID GREENGLASS of Los Alamos, New Mexico, and the ROSENBERGS in New York in 1945. GOLD identified his superior as Soviet Vice Consul ANATOLI YAKOULEV.

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On February 14, 1957 [REDACTED] advised the CSJMS had sent [REDACTED] flyer announcing "The Sobell Case in Pictures" a film strip similar to slides entitled "Was Justice Done?" was available. It stated "Here is your chance - in a new and exciting way - to tell the facts and to raise funds for Morton Sobell's legal and public appeals".

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They charge that the prosecution brutally kidnapped SOBELL and his family from Mexico - then falsely claimed SOBELL was trying to flee. They charge that prosecutors Irving Saypol - now a New York

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State Judge and Roy Cohn knowingly used perjured testimony - and they submit documents to prove their charges."

Justice BLACK and Justice DOUGLAS are Justices of the U.S. Supreme Court.

It is public knowledge that SACCO and VANZETTI, SCOTTSBORO BOYS, TOM MOONEY, WARREN K. BILLINGS and ROY EATON have been defendants in trials in which the CP has displayed an unusual interest.

"McCARTHYISM" is a word which has been used by the Communist press over a period of years in such a way that its meaning is synonymous with "witchhunts" and "inquisition".

In March, 1951, MAX ELITCHER testified that JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL had sought to recruit him into the espionage ring.

In March, 1951 ELIZABETH BENTLEY, Secretary to the late JACOB GOLOS, one of the Kremlin's highest secret agents in the United States, testified that she had received phone calls from a man identifying himself as "JULIUS".

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On December 5, 1955 [REDACTED] advised DAN GREEN was Treasurer of the CUP [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] identified MILTON HENRY LESSNER, MIRIAM STARCEVIC and DAVID STANLEY STARCEVIC as CP members.

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The "Aztec", a newspaper published at San Diego State College, issue of February 19, 1954, identified ANNA KORDA (LESSNER) as Secretary of the Bill of Rights Defense Committee.

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ANITA EDITH BELL SCHNEIDER testified before the House Committee on Un-American Activities at San Diego, California on July 5, 1955 that she was a member of the CP from October, 1951 through December, 1954 while furnishing information to the FBI. She has furnished reliable information in the past.

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The CRC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On December 7, 1955 [REDACTED] advised that as of August 15, 1955 MARIE AGLIANO was a member of the Young Unitarians.

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On June 14, 1957 [REDACTED] advised they did not know KITTY BROWN to be engaged in subversive activities in the San Diego, California, area. 870

[REDACTED] was interviewed by SAS MARTIN CARLSEN and RUSSELL P. CURTIS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised he attended a meeting of the SDSC [REDACTED] at which a film strip was shown concerning the MORTON SOBELL Case. He stated he wanted to see both sides and believed that he, as an American, had a right to attend any meetings he saw fit. He was asked if he would attend meetings of organizations that he knew were Communist dominated and controlled. He stated he would have to have proof. [REDACTED] 870

[REDACTED] was interviewed by SA RUSSELL P. CURTIS. [REDACTED] talked about the Government being in an unnecessary state of alarm concerning Communists and Communist front organizations. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He described the SDSC as a social club of eight to ten members which had as its purpose "aid to HELEN SOBELL", who because her husband was incarcerated at Alcatraz, was having a difficult time. [REDACTED] 870

[REDACTED] was interviewed by SAS MARTIN CARLSEN and RUSSELL P. CURTIS. [REDACTED] 870

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He advised he believed MORTON SOBELL did not get a fair trial and was generally critical of U.S. Courts and juries, stating one needed money in order to take full advantage of appeals and other guarantees which the law afforded accused persons. When asked what his reaction would be if he discovered that money donated to the SDSC may have gone to the CP or used for other purposes, he stated he would be satisfied if some of it went to expenses necessary for SOBELL's defense. b7D

[REDACTED] advised he based his belief that MORTON SOBELL did not have a fair trial on "documentation" in the book "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" by JOHN WEXLEY. [REDACTED] JOHN WEXLEY is a Communist author and screen writer. House Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, August 25, 1956, "Trial by Treason". b7D

[REDACTED]

He advised he had not been a member since that time chiefly because he could not accept Party discipline. b7D

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[REDACTED] advised he did not know how many members were in the SDSC; he refused to furnish the names of those he knew. b7D

[REDACTED] said he thought it was a mistake for the Government to "harass" the CP. He stated the belief that the CP advocates the use of force and violence to overthrow the Government was a canard. b7D

The Supreme Court of the United States on April 23, 1956 refused to consider a California Supreme Court decision upholding the dismissal of HARRY C. STEINMETZ from San Diego State College under the California Luckel Act on February 5, 1954, for refusing on January 28, 1954 to answer questions concerning Communist Party membership.

[REDACTED]

On February 28, 1957, [REDACTED] advised ANNA KORDA LESSNER went with one GEORGE GOETMAN, described by informant as a "Socialist", to the dinner honoring Senator WILLIAM LANGER, sponsored by the Los Angeles Sobell Committee (LASC) at Los Angeles, California, on February 22, 1957.

[REDACTED]

On March 27, 1957, T-6 made available a cancelled check carrying the printed name Superior Fabrics Company, 4421 Park Boulevard, San Diego, California, #18606. Instant check was signed by MILTON LESSNER, was dated February 22, 1957, and was payable to "Sobel Committee". It was cashed on February 25, 1957 at the Security First National Bank of Los Angeles, Western and Beverly Branch.

Information furnished by T-6 should not be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena.

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OFFICERS

On June 18, 1954 [REDACTED] advised that as of June 10, 1957, PAT GREEN was Secretary of the SDSC and MIRIAM KUSNIERCZYK was Treasurer of the SDSC. [REDACTED] advised there were no other officers locally.

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STATED AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

On June 18, 1957 [REDACTED] advised that as of that date the SDSC continues to raise funds for the defense of MORTON SOBELL. b2

SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

Connections with the CP

On June 14, 1957 [REDACTED] advised that at CP meetings prior to that date and since the SDSC has been in existence, that the SDSC as an organization has not been discussed. b2

BILL OF RIGHTS DEFENSE COMMITTEE, aka
Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights

[REDACTED] advised in January, 1954, that this committee was formed [REDACTED] by CP members and sympathizers to aid in the defense of those individuals subpoenaed to appear at the hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA), which were held in San Diego, California, in April, 1954. This committee was also active in the defense of Dr. HARRY C. STEINMETZ, San Diego State College Professor, dismissed for refusal to answer questions regarding his CP affiliations, and in the defense of PAUL SLEETH, CP member, who was arrested for obstructing traffic while passing out literature of this committee. [REDACTED] subsequently advised on October 19, 1954, that as of that date this organization no longer existed, but that while it did, its activities and policies were dictated by the CP in the San Diego, California area. 820

APPENDIX

COMMUNITY UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP

(OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

"* * * when the Communists were expelled from the San Diego First Unitarian Church by the pastor, PETER SAMSON, they set up a competitive organization, the Community Unitarian Fellowship. This was designed to operate as a 'non-religious' front organization * * *. The Communist group was refused recognition both by the San Diego Unitarian Church and by the American Unitarian Association, the parent body of Unitarian churches in America."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1955, H. R. 1643, January 17, 1956, originally released January 11, 1956, p. 26.)

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INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY (IPP)

"...Among typical mass organizations that are victims of Communist domination". One of the basic Communist fronts in a coalition under the banner of the 3rd Party movement to elect HENRY WALLACE President of the United States. (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, pages 41 and 62).

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LOS ANGELES SOBELL COMMITTEE (LASC)

The Los Angeles Sobell Committee, 468 Northwestern Avenue, Los Angeles, California, has, according to a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, from its inception, been dominated and controlled by the Los Angeles County Communist Party (LACCP).

As of December, 1956, the aims and objectives of the LASC were:

1. Raise funds for legal expenses to cover cost of a new trial for MORTON SOBELL and to keep the LASC office going.
2. Influence people to petition President Eisenhower to exercise executive authority.
3. Publicize the Sobell Case.
4. Obtain names of prominent people to petition for a new trial for SOBELL.

The LASC, according to source, has established a deliberate policy of avoiding any mention of, or discussion concerning the CP.

NATIONAL LAWYERS' GUILD

The Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, Report on the National Lawyers' Guild, House Report No. 3123, dated September 21, 1950, cited the National Lawyers' Guild as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents."

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YOUNG UNITARIANS (YU)

[REDACTED]. It was agreed to follow the principles and doctrines of the Community Unitarian Fellowship.

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The extent of domination and control of the YU by the Communist Party was not known to source.

The YU went out of existence in January, 1956. Source advised on September 11, 1956 he knew of no plans for its reorganization.

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LEADS

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

A copy of this report is furnished Los Angeles because of the information contained therein concerning the Los Angeles Sobell Committee.

SAN DIEGO DIVISION

At San Diego, California:

Will continue to follow and report activities of the SDSC.

REFERENCES

Report of SA RUSSELL F. CURTIS dated December 13, 1956, at San Diego.

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FILE # 100-107111

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) DATE: 7/2/57

FROM : SA DAVID RYAN

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
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On 5/27/57 [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal), made available to SA DAVID RYAN a four page mimeographed program of the "Sobell Boat Ride" scheduled to be held on 5/26/57. It is noted that this mimeographed program contains the name and address of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, NY. b7D

This program is herewith submitted as an exhibit and may be located in NY file 100-10711. - 1B-814

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DATE: 7/2/57

FROM : SA WILLIAM G. LINEHAN

SUBJECT: EAST SIDE SOBELL COMMITTEE
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Source
Reliability

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Who has furnished
reliable information
in the past.

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The party attracted more men than women. As a matter of fact women were at a premium. Most of the men were in their late twenties and up and most of the women were in their early thirties and up. There were about 10 mixed couples in attendance - negro man and a white woman. About twenty well dressed negroes were in attendance. There was much inter-racial dancing and petting. Most of the negroes left the party with a white woman.

The talk during the party was a mixture of politics, art, and the theater. It was definitely a village crowd or a village dominated crowd.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC
FROM: SA LLOYD S. GOODROW
SUBJECT: NATIONAL GUARDIAN READERS CLUB
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DATE: 7/5/57

Group: National Guardian Readers Club
Meeting Place: 44 Eric St., Bridgeport, Conn.
Date: 6/7/57
Information From: [redacted] (who has furnished reliable information in the past)
Date Received: 6/16/57
Furnished to: SA LLOYD S. GOODROW
Location: [redacted]

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AMERICAN FORUM FOR SOCIALIST EDUCATION (100-16775)
JUL 8 1957
FBI - NEW YORK
[Signature]

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cc: 100- [redacted] (NATIONAL GUARDIAN)

100- [redacted] COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
AMERICAN FORUM FOR SOCIALIST EDUCATION

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The meeting was presided over by ALICE WIDA, who asked LOUISE ZITO to report on a boat trip held for the GOBELS. Mrs. ZITO reported that about 3,000 people were on the trip, and that the affair was very well planned, and that she had met some very nice people. It was decided to have an affair for the GOBELS in the near future—a supper, if possible.

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JOSEPH BARNES gave a report on activities. He reported that civil rights are to be acted on the following week by the U. S. House of Representatives, and that those in attendance should all write their Congressman, ALBERT MORANO.

It was decided that in view of the lateness of the date, that a letter should be written to "Our Congressmen", and should be signed by all those at the meeting. The letter was written by JOSEPH BARNES and GIL LNU, and signed by all present. It was mailed by ALICE WIDA.

JOSEPH BARNES introduced CLIFFORD McAVOY, who stated that the American Forum for Socialist Education had been started in New York City, and that all Progressives in New York were participating. McAVOY said that the forum was not a political party. All members of Top Committee were secured by invitation, including representatives of the Communist Party (CP) and a member of the "Catholic Worker".

McAVOY stated that the forum had conducted three successful May Day meetings, and that people had been turned away, due to lack of room and halls.

McAVOY stated that the boat cruise which had been reported by LOUISE ZITO had been a big success because all parties sold tickets.

McAVOY said that the forum had no program or constitution, but was trying to map the future of socialism in America. He said that forums would be established in all cities in the near future.

Refreshments were served, and singing was led by GIL LNU with his guitar until 12:30 a.m.

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Administrative Data

It should be noted that information has been received from [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, [REDACTED] to the effect that on 5/26/57 LOUISE ZITO took a cruise from New York City to Bear Mountain, New York. The cruise was sponsored by the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL.

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It would appear that the term "GOBELS" referred to by the informant in the above report, actually should be SOBELLS. However, [REDACTED] orally advised on 6/24/57 that he understood it to be GOBEL.

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-129859) (#77-3)

DATE: 6/5/57

FROM: SA KARL ROBERT BUCHAN (#12-14)

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Rally: [REDACTED] furnished the following report on the May Day **B7D**

"5/5/57

"A meeting was held at the Central Plaza at 7th Street and 2nd Avenue on the evening of May 1, at 8:00 PM. Sponsored by the Committee for Socialist Unity. [REDACTED] On entering the Lobby, I followed the crowd to a small meeting room, with a capacity of 500 plus. This room I learned later was the overflow room for the main hall that seated about 1000-1200 people. In all a total of some 1500 to 1800 people attended. **B7D**

"The meeting was opened at approx. 8:30 by a chairman who's name I did not get. Earl Robinson entertained with the aid of two others, one white male, one negro female. As the speakers were finished in the main room they were brought down to the smaller hall.

"The first speaker was Dorothy Day, editor of the Catholic Worker. She spoke in general about the problem of segregation in the South. She gave personal examples of her findings on a recent trip south.

"The second speaker was Bert Cochran, editor of the American Socialist. He spoke of fostering a new left wing movement through the younger generation. He said that the radicle way was the only way of getting things done.

"He also spoke on segregation in the south and equal rights for the Negro. Also of disarmament throughout the world.

"Myra Tanner Weiss, Vice-Pres. candidate of the Socialist Workers Party was the third speaker. She spoke of the rise of the worker. She cited the revolution of 1917 as the "great example". She stated that the southern worker was oppressed because of the lack of union representation and of big business domination and oppression. She spoke of the civil rights problem, the Smith act and the "injustice" done to Morton Sobell.

"John McManus editor of the National Guardian spoke next. McManus read a letter by Norman Thomas recently printed in his paper. He also spoke of the rise of the left wing movement and the radical movement. Also commented on the Smith Act and the Communist Control Act.

"Conrad Lynn, Lawyer for NAACP. spoke as unofficial representative of NAACP. He spoke on the problem of segregation.

"George Blake Charney, Chairman of the Communist Party in the State of N.Y spoke after a short Intermission. He spoke on the communist party and its "oppression" by the Smith Act and the Communist Control Act. He also made comment on the persecution of the communist party by the late Senator McCarthy.

"During the intermission a collection was taken up. It was to be intended to aid Morton Sobell. However, it was changed and given to the chairman of the meeting for the fight of human & civil rights.

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"At this point the meeting was broken up and sent to the main hall. On entering DR. W.E.B. DuBois was speaking. His comments I could not hear well because of the noise of the incoming audience. He finished in a few minutes and the Rev. A.J. Muste began to speak.

"From my vantage point I could not hear his words. The audio system did not carry. [REDACTED]

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SAC, Salt Lake City (100-9029)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
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[REDACTED] advised that during the years 1948 to 1951
JOSEPH DI SANTI acted as State Organizer of the Communist Party of
New Mexico, and this same informant reported that FRANCES DI SANTI
during that period was a member of the Communist Party.

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[REDACTED] in May of 1955 reported that the UCPCL was organized at the specific instruction of ARTHUR BARY, Regional Director of the Communist Party of Denver, Colorado, to help fight Smith Act prosecutions.

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At this gathering PERKINS reported that various influential people of the United States are now convinced MORTON SOBELL is innocent. He told how SOBELL was kidnaped illegally by United States Agents from Mexico and brought to the United States for trial.

[REDACTED]

On 12/18/56 [REDACTED] advised that the PAFUC was originally organized through the efforts of WAYNE DALLAS HOLLEY, Napleton, Utah, who at a Utah State Committee meeting of the Communist Party held at Pleasant Grove, Utah, 5/2/55 was elected Utah State Chairman of the Communist Party.

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the arrest of LEWIS MARTIN JOHNSON, Utah State Communist Party Organizer at Denver, Colorado, 8/1/54 HOLLEY took complete charge of Communist Party affairs in Utah and in April, 1955, was still acting in that position. [redacted] advised that from time to time at Communist Party meetings HOLLEY reported on the activities of the PAPUC and in conversations indicated a complete control of the affairs of this organization by members of the Communist Party.

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2529	7/11/57	SU Airtel to HQ	2	2		
2530	7/12/57	SA Memo with 1 page enclosure (RE: 3RD PARTY)	2	2		
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2541A	7/24/57	SA Memo	2	-		See NY FILE # 100-109849
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2563	8/8/57	SE Letter to HQ	2	2		
2564	8/8/57	SA Memo RE: 3RD PARTY	5	5		
2565	8/9/57	SA Memo RE: 3RD PARTY	4	4		
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2567	8/12/57	PX Letter to NY	2	0		
2568	8/12/57	SA Memo	2	2		
2569	8/12/57	SL Airtel to HQ	1	1		
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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-337835)
 FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (100-9029)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
 FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Informants of the Salt Lake City Office have furnished information that HAVEN PERKINS is friendly with FRANCIS D. WORNUTH, Professor, University of Utah, [REDACTED]

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The Bureau's attention is directed to Salt Lake City letter dated 12/10/53, entitled "DR. ROY VICTOR PEEL, UNIVERSITY OF UTAH RESEARCH CRIME RECORDS". Information is indicated in that letter that Dr. A. RAY OLPIN, President of the University of Utah, in a discussion with SAC A. CORNELIUS mentioned he hoped the time would never come when censorship would be applied to the classroom.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] University of Utah, on 7/11/57 reported to this office that about two years ago the Faculty Council of the University of Utah considered a recommendation made by Dr. WORNUTH, a member of that group, which was printed in the school paper, that instructors of the University of Utah refuse to furnish any investigative agency with information as to specific classroom discussions or remarks made by the students or instructors, inasmuch as this would violate principles of academic freedom. [REDACTED] advised that the FBI was not specifically mentioned in this regard, that the recommendation was not given approval by university officials, and therefore the matter was dropped.

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This office receives complete cooperation from the University of Utah officials and members of the faculty. Agents have experienced no difficulty in securing information. In fact, the opposite has been the case and the employees and faculty members have gone beyond what might normally be expected of them in assisting the Bureau. As the Bureau is aware, there is a rule in this office that only certain designated Agents may contact professors in the Political Science Department of the University of Utah as the result of the FEEL matter.

Relative to PERKINS teaching a combined class at the Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, [REDACTED] on 6/20/57 advised that HAVEN PERKINS was scheduled to teach a class at Brigham Young University on the morning of 6/17/57.

[REDACTED]

It is possible that Professor REEDER may have been responsible for inviting PERKINS to teach at Brigham Young University, although this has not been definitely established. This latter matter will be discussed with former SA W. CLEON SKOUSEN, who was formerly associated with the Brigham Young University, and the Bureau will be advised of any information he might have or develop relative to this matter.

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FEEL

SAC, NEW YORK (100-131197)

SA FRANK W. CORNETT (7-2)

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Vol. 1, No. 6

116 University Place

April 25, 1957

MAY DAY

A Joint May Day meeting will be held on May 1st at Central Plaza on 7th St. and Second Ave. See enclosed announcement.

Also on April 27 there will be a May Day celebration at 116 University Place. The speaker from the S. W. P. will be Murry Weiss; from the AYS Nora Aarh. After the meeting there will be refreshments and all friends are cordially invited.

SYMPOSIUM

On May 5 a symposium will be held at the Brighton Beach Community Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave, Brooklyn, N. Y., where Farrel Dobbs, John Gates and A. J. Muste will be the speakers. See announcement.

COMING EVENTS

MARCH ON WASHINGTON - The March on Washington, May 17th, sponsored by A. Philip Randolph, from the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Portors, Rev. Marten Luther King Jr. from the Montgomery Improvement Assn., and Roy Wilkins, from the N.A.A.C.P., is a part of a general movement of the Negro people for intergration and deserves the support of everyone. The AYS urges you to participate in the march.

SOBELL COMMITTEE - The Sobell Committee is sponsoring a boat ride to Bear Mountain on Sunday, May 26, to help obtain funds to secure justice for Morton Sobell. The boat, The John A. Meseck, will leave from Battery Park Landing at 10 AM. Round-trip tickets for adults are \$2.50, for children, \$1.00. We have tickets available.

DISCUSSION

This coming Tuesday the discussion at the regular AYS meeting will be a review of the book by Engels, Socialism, Utopian and Scientific. The discussion will be started by Jim Lamb. The meeting starts at 8:00 p.m.

PARTY

The time for the Theater Party is growing short. Tickets are going very fast, but some are still available. The social director has informed us that those who can't make it on the May 4th date can still use the tickets at any time during the run of the play except the early show on Saturdays. Tickets for the AYS theater party will not be sold at the door. There will be an open house at 116 University Place following the play.

Mike Martin
A Y S.

May 15, 1957

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-11726)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
 IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, AKA
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On 7-22-57 [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that St. Louis Sobell Committee has started program to contact certain local clergyman, lawyers and doctors for their signatures on a document which asks the U.S. Supreme Court to review the Sobell case and grant a hearing. It states "Morton Sobells present appeals. Offer documentary evidence that the prosecution used fraud and perjury to obtain his conviction". Signers then ask that their signatures be added to "An Amicus Curiae Brief on behalf of Morton Sobell". Document issued in name of the Sobell Committee, 940 Broadway, New York (10) New York. It states it is to be returned by August 28. b7D

MILNES

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TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka, Committee To Secure Justice For Morton Sobell, National Committee To Secure Justice For Morton Sobell In The Rosenberg Case		Report made by CARTER E. JONES	Typed By MHE
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950	

Synopsis:

TED JACOBS, representing subject organization, from New York City, N. Y., visited Salt Lake City, Utah, 7/2/56. HAVEN PERKINS, Midwest representative of subject organization, visited Salt Lake City in November, 1956, and again in June, 1957, at which time he visited both Salt Lake City and Provo, Utah. These men spoke before members of Communist Party front groups while in this area, explaining that MORTON SOBELL had been given an unfair trial and told of the reasons for making this statement. PERKINS and JACOBS also attempted to obtain financial support for subject organization to carry on their fight to free MORTON SOBELL.

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DETAILS:

ACTIVITIES OF REPRESENTATIVES OF SUBJECT COMMITTEE IN THE STATE OF UTAH

By communication dated March 20, 1956, the Los Angeles Office reported that [REDACTED] b7d

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[REDACTED] furnished information to the Los Angeles Office that subject committee forwarded material to the "Hollywood Citizens News" concerning a book written by JOHN WEXLEY, entitled "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg". Included with this material was a reprint of a review of WEXLEY's book appearing in the December, 1955, issue of "The Western Political Quarterly", a publication of the Institute of Government, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah. The review, which was signed by FRANCIS D. WORMUTH of the University of Utah, dealt with the ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG case and concludes as follows:

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"This means that the Government had no case against the Rosenbergs. Obviously the Department of Justice cannot answer all criticisms, but unless it answers Mr. WEXLEY's we must conclude that the Rosenberg case is our Dreyfus, outdoing the first in sordidness, cruelty and terror."

On August 2, 1956, T-1 reported that Professor FRANCIS D. WORMUTH of the University of Utah signed an appeal to President DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER on behalf of MORTON SOBELL.

The 1956 Salt Lake City Directory lists FRANCIS D. WORMUTH as a Professor of the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah.

[REDACTED] T-2 advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TED JACOBS of New York City, New York, a member of subject organization. JACOBS at this gathering gave a short history of the proceedings of the espionage trial involving ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL. He explained that evidence against these persons had been manufactured and that SOBELL had been kidnaped from Mexico by FBI Agents. JACOBS reported that many prominent attorneys, people in the United States and Mexico, as well as other lands, were working hard in an effort to free MORTON SOBELL, who is presently in prison as the result of the espionage trial.

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1. A work report for the SOBELL case, September to December, 1956.
2. Copy of letter written by DAVID ALMAN, National Secretary of the Committee To Secure Justice For Morton Sobell In The Rosenberg Case, addressed to "Dear Friend", dated August 9, 1956.
3. A mimeographed copy of a leaflet entitled "The Case Of Morton Sobell".
4. A pamphlet entitled "Legal And Investigation Budget In The Sobell Case".
5. A leaflet entitled "Prisoner On Our Conscience", by EMILY and DAVID ALMAN.
6. A letter by Mrs. HELEN SOBELL, dated August 24, 1956, and addressed to "Dear Friend", wherein she asked support for a dinner at which Dr. HAROLD C. UREY and Professor MALCOLM SHARP would be featured.
7. Newspaper leaflet containing an article entitled "The Capitol Times", by AUGUST DERLETTI, regarding a book entitled "The Judgment Of Julius And Ethel Rosenberg", written by JOHN WEXLEY.

8. A leaflet entitled "Atomic Scientist Dr. Harold C. Urey As Justice For Morton Sobell".
9. A leaflet entitled "U. S. Senator William Langer As Justice For Morton Sobell".
10. Congressional Record containing Senator LANGER'S speech.
11. A leaflet entitled "Columnist In Times Urges New Trial For Morton Sobell".
12. Newspaper article in November, 1956, issue entitled "Morton Sobell Prisoner On Our Conscience".
13. A letter dated August 13, 1956, to "Dear Friend" by DAVID ALMAN, telling of a tabloid size newspaper to be printed and distributed in the fall of 1956.
14. A leaflet entitled "Arthur Waldo Frank As Justice For Morton Sobell".
15. A booklet entitled "Publicity Guide For The Case Of Morton Sobell".
16. A leaflet containing a letter to the "New York Times", June 15, 1956, written by JEAN-PAUL SARTRE of Paris, France.

T-14. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] informed on several occasions [REDACTED] that JOSEPH DI SANTI acted as State Organizer of the Communist Party of New Mexico [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PERKINS stated he was traveling throughout the United States endeavoring to raise funds in an attempt to obtain a new trial for MORTON SOBELL. PERKINS reported at this gathering that it was not

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fair to send MORTON SOBELL to prison just because he knew ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG. PERKINS attempted to sell a book entitled "Was Justice Done", by MALCOLM P. SHARP.

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This informant reported PERKINS told of the perjured testimony of HARRY GOLD. PERKINS spoke of the testimony of an admitted espionage agent, ELIZABETH BENTLEY. PERKINS explained that the testimony of DAVID GREENGLASS had been biased. T-3 stated that PERKINS' line of contention is that whether one believes that the ROSENBERGS and SOBELL were guilty or innocent is quite apparent, at least to PERKINS, that they were not tried in a fair manner. Informant stated that PERKINS is of the opinion it is quite possible that the three witnesses mentioned above may not have realized what they were doing. PERKINS stated, however, it was quite apparent that ROY COHEN, government prosecutor and later an aid of Senator JOSEPH McCARTHY, did this for his own personal gain and knew full well there was no evidence of any action of either the ROSENBERGS or of SOBELL that could really be construed to be of a traitorous action.

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On November 28, 1956, T-7 reported that HAVEN PERKINS on November 25, 1956, spoke before a group of forty people at the Unitarian Church, Salt Lake City. At this meeting, according to T-7, PERKINS explained to the people the circumstances of the MORTON SOBELL trial, including activities prior to the trial and developments after the trial. PERKINS reported to those attending this meeting that there had been very little evidence produced against SOBELL in the trial, that the FBI wanted to make a "big splash" and "catch a big fish" but, since the big fish had gotten away, they had to settle for MORTON SOBELL. PERKINS stated the

government had no grounds for bringing SOBELL to trial and therefore he and others of subject organization were fighting for a new trial in regard to MORTON SOBELL.

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T-9 advised that [REDACTED]

HAVEN

PERKINS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] trip to Salt Lake City, Utah, which was made in November, 1956. T-9 stated that on this occasion PERKINS [REDACTED] had made some contacts at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah. b7D

T-10 reported that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAVEN PERKINS, St. Louis, Missouri, [REDACTED] trip to the western states [REDACTED] while at Salt Lake City, Utah, in November, 1956, he, PERKINS, talked to two different classes at the University of Utah and answered questions of the students in attendance relative to the MORTON SOBELL case. b7D

On June 14, 1957, T-11 furnished a leaflet entitled "The Legal Status of Sobell's Case and Oklahoma University Has Radio Interview With Perkins and Sobell". This leaflet, published by HAVEN PERKINS of the St. Louis group of subject organization, reported that PERKINS taught two classes at Westminster College, Salt Lake City. The leaflet also told of a number of people in Salt Lake City who took the responsibility of continuing SOBELL activities in that area and mentioned that PERKINS spoke before members of the Channing Club, Unitarian Church, Salt Lake City, Utah.

T-12 on [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAVEN PERKINS, St. Louis, Missouri, PERKINS told of his trip to the western states in November, 1956. PERKINS spoke of a professor in Salt Lake City, Utah, who wrote a review on a book entitled "Was Justice Done". This professor gave PERKINS letters of introduction to b7D

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individuals of other universities, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] reported during that period JOSEPH A. CURTIS was known to him as being a member of the Communist Party of Utah. [REDACTED] in March, 1954, reported that BERNICE CURTIS, Salt Lake County Chairman of the Communist Party, at that time [REDACTED]

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T-14 advised that during the years 1948 to 1951 FRANCES DI SANTI was known to the informant as being a member of the Communist Party of the State of New Mexico during those years.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the featured speaker was HAVEN PERKINS of St. LOUIS, Missouri, who was introduced as a Midwest representative of subject organization. PERKINS on this occasion talked of his experiences and of the sympathy the SOBELL case was gaining all over the eastern part of the country. PERKINS stated that the number of people who now believe that MORTON SOBELL was railroaded by the FBI is increasing daily and is much larger than it was last year at this time. PERKINS also explained how MORTON SOBELL was kidnaped by United States agents while he was vacationing in Mexico and was illegally brought into the United States from that country.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-15 reported that HAVEN PERKINS spoke at a meeting [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] At this gathering PERKINS reported that various influential people of the United States are now convinced MORTON SOBELL is innocent. He told how MORTON SOBELL was kidnaped from Mexico by United States agents and brought to the United States for trial.

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MISCELLANEOUS

T-16 in the first part of 1953 reported that in December, 1952, HENRY HOROWITZ submitted \$5.00 to subject organization by a check written on the Continental Bank, Salt Lake City, Utah.

T-17 in April, 1953, advised that Mrs. ROLAND HANSON sent \$25.00 to the ROSENBERGS while they were in prison. This money was sent from Salt Lake City, Utah, by United States Postal Money Order.

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[REDACTED] reported on several occasions prior to April, 1955, that HENRY HOROWITZ, then of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Mrs. ROLAND HANSON of Spanish Fork, Utah, were known to him as being members of the Communist Party of the State of Utah.

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APPENDIX

**NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE (NCSJRC)
also known as
National Committee To Secure Justice
For Morton Sobell In The Rosenberg Case,
National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee,
The Committee To Secure Justice
For Morton Sobell**

The NCSJRC maintains national headquarters in Room D, 940 Broadway, New York City, and the mailbox servicing this office is labelled "Sobell Committee".

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union. The ROSENBERGs were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL to thirty years' imprisonment on the same date. JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953, and MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Alcatraz, California.

[REDACTED], advised in January, 1952, that the NCSJRC was formed on January 2, 1952, for the purpose of obtaining a new trial for the ROSENBERGS. b7D

An informant advised on May 9, 1956, that the NCSJRC was attempting to keep alive the ROSENBERG case and to fight for the release of MORTON SOBELL. Informant stated that the Communist Party took an extremely active part in assisting the committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS FORUM OF UTAH COUNTY

On December 18, 1956. [REDACTED]

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advised that the Public Affairs Forum of Utah County was originally organized through the efforts of WAYNE DALLAS HOLLEY, Mapleton, Utah, who at a Utah State Committee meeting of the Communist Party held at Pleasant Grove, Utah, May 2, 1954, was elected Utah State Chairman of the Communist Party. [REDACTED] stated that upon the arrest of LEWIS MARTIN JOHNSON, Utah State Communist Party Organizer at Denver, Colorado, August 1, 1954, HOLLEY took complete charge of Communist Party affairs in Utah and in April, 1955, was still acting in that position. [REDACTED]

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UTAH COUNCIL FOR
CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES

[REDACTED] in May of 1955 reported that the Utah Council For Constitutional Liberties (UCFCL) was organized at the specific instruction of ARTHUR BARY, Regional Director of the Communist Party, Denver, Colorado, to help fight Smith Act prosecutions. [REDACTED] reported in May of 1956 that the majority of leaders and members of the UCFCL were known to him as being members of the Communist Party, State of Utah, [REDACTED]

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Director, FBI (100-387835)

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka, Committee
To Secure Justice For Morton Sobell,
National Committee To Secure Justice
For Morton Sobell In The Rosenberg Case
INTERNAL SECURITY - C; ISA OF 1950
(OO: New York)

Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are six copies of report of SA CARTER E. JONES, dated 7/24/57 at Salt Lake City; to New York City are two copies of that report and to St. Louis is one copy of that report, as well as six, two and one, respectively, copies of letterhead memorandum to Bureau, New York City and St. Louis setting forth the reliability of informants utilized in instant report.

An information copy of instant report is being furnished to the St. Louis Office inasmuch as it contains information relative to HAVEN PERKINS of St. Louis, Missouri.

Copies of instant report are not being disseminated locally inasmuch as the same information has been or will be placed in the Salt Lake City file pertaining to the Utah Council For Constitutional Liberties.

For the information of the Bureau and offices receiving copies of instant report, the Salt Lake City Office has no information that FRANCIS D. WORNUTH, Professor, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, has been associated with the Communist Party.

Referenced Bureau airtel dated 7/9/57 requests that CLEON SKOUSEN, former Special Agent, FBI, who was formerly associated with Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, and who is presently Chief of Police, Salt Lake City, Utah, be contacted relative to HAVEN PERKINS and his activities at Brigham Young University. Mr. SKOUSEN was contacted on 7/17/57 relative to any information he had concerning PERKINS' visit to Brigham Young University and on that occasion he stated he had never heard of HAVEN PERKINS and had no information

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as to any visits he had made at Brigham Young University. Mr. SKOUSEN stated he is certain there are no professors or instructors at Brigham Young University who are in sympathy with the Communist Party and he believes that whoever was responsible for inviting PERKINS to instruct classes at Brigham Young University had done so innocently. He stated that if President ERNEST WILKINSON of Brigham Young University were advised of the fact that a representative of the Sobell Committee spoke at Brigham Young University relative to the SOBELL case, someone might be hurt. Mr. SKOUSEN stated he would attempt to ascertain who was responsible and, without revealing the source of his information, take the necessary steps to see that this person is aware of the nature of subject organization.

Inasmuch as instant report reflects PERKINS made contact at several universities while in this area, as reported by informants, UACB no further investigative action will be taken relative to PERKINS' activities at Brigham Young University, Westminster College or University of Utah.

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T-2 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		DELMAR L. LARSON (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-3 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		DELMAR L. LARSON (written report)	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]		CARTER E. JONES (written report)	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]		W. RULON PAXMAN (written report)	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]		CARTER E. JONES (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-4 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CARTER E. JONES (orally)	[REDACTED]
T-5 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CARTER E. JONES (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-6 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CARTER E. JONES (written report)	[REDACTED]

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T-8 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		W. RULON PAXMAN (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-9 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CARTER E. JONES (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-10 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	b7D	WALTER A. HILGENDORF, (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-10 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CLARK S. SMITH, (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-11 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CHARLES L. TIGNER, (written report)	[REDACTED] b7D
T-12 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CARL R. O'CONNOR, (written report)	[REDACTED] b7D
T-13 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		CARL R. O'CONNOR, (written report)	[REDACTED]

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T-14 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		Agent [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-15 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	b7D	LOFTIS J. SHEFFIELD (written report)	[REDACTED]
T-16 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		Agents [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (orally)	[REDACTED]
Chase National Bank, New York City, New York				
T-17 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		Agents [REDACTED] [REDACTED] (orally)	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]			

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in the report of SA CARTER E. JONES, dated 7/24/57 at Salt Lake City, and T symbols were utilized only where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

REFERENCES

- Bureau airtel to Salt Lake City, dated 7/9/57.
- Bureau letter to Salt Lake City, dated 7/10/57.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Salt Lake City, Utah
July 24, 1957

National Committee To Secure Justice
In The Rosenberg Case, also known as,
Committee To Secure Justice For Morton
Sobell, National Committee To Secure
Justice For Morton Sobell In The Rosenberg Case;
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Reference is made to the report of Special
Agent Carter E. Jones, dated July 24, 1957, at Salt
Lake City, Utah.

All of the informants mentioned in referenced
report have furnished reliable information in the past.

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SA ANTHONY E. CONSTANTINO (7-2)

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On 7/1/57, [REDACTED] made available to the writer on a confidential basis the bank records for the above-captioned account, located at the Amalgamated Bank, 11-15 Union Square, NYC. A review of the bank records for the month of June, 1957, reflected the following items considered pertinent:

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Check #	Date	Payee	Amount	Bank of Deposit and/or Endorser
15278	5/29/57	Sobell Committee	\$5.00	Chemical Corn Ex.

The balance of the account as of 6/30/57 was \$7,338.38.

The above information is not to be made public without the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena.

It is noted that the above source no longer has custody of the original documents from which the above check information was obtained.

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Digest of Current Communist Activities

The Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell is one of the most active and extensively organized Communist fronts now operating in the United States.

Morton Sobell is serving a 30-year prison term for his part in the war-time espionage for which Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were executed in 1953.

The Morton Sobell case will go before the Supreme Court this fall. The Communist-front organization which was formed originally to defend the Rosenbergs as well as Sobell is banking on the recent decisions of the Supreme Court to obtain a reversal of Sobell's conviction or at least a new trial. For this purpose, the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell is now soliciting signatures to a brief amicus curiae to be presented to the Supreme Court.

The Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, hereinafter referred to as the CSJMS, has just published a 4-page tabloid newspaper dated August 1957.

The national offices of the CSJMS are located at 940 Broadway, New York, N.Y. The addresses of branch offices are as follows:

Los Angeles Sobell Committee
468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, California

Bay Area Council of Sobell Committees
345 Franklin, San Francisco, California

Chicago Sobell Committee
20 West Jackson, Chicago, Illinois

Syracuse Sobell Committee
1009 Cumberland Avenue, Syracuse, New York

St. Louis Sobell Committee
3716 Casselle Street, St. Louis, Missouri

The CSJMS has prepared a film strip for showing in homes, and

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The new CSJMS newspaper features pictures of Elmer Davis, Gilbert Olson (former governor of California), Prof. Linus Pauling, and Lewis Mumford, under the caption "Eminent Americans Appeal to President."

The CSJMS is playing up the Jewish alleged angle in the Sobell case. It has enlisted a large number of rabbis for the support of its objectives. The names of the following supporters who are rabbis are listed in the CSJMS newspaper:

- Rabbi Moses J. S. Abels, former President Brooklyn Board of Rabbis, N. Y.
- Rabbi Zwi Anderman, New York, N. Y.
- Rabbi Sidney Ballon, Nassau Community Temple, West Hempstead, N. Y.
- Rabbi Jerome S. Bass, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Rabbi Ben Zion Bergman, Burbank, Cal.
- Rabbi Samuel Bernstein, New York, N. Y.
- Rabbi H. D. Bial, Temple Sinai, Summit, N. J.
- Rabbi Jerome B. Cohen, Englewood, N. J.
- Dr. Franklin Cohn, Los Angeles, Cal.
- Rabbi Benjamin Englander, Cong. B'nai Israel, Irvington, N. J.
- Rabbi Jacob H. Epstein, Syracuse
- Rabbi Julian B. Feibelman, New Orleans
- Rabbi Morris Fishman, Community Synagogue, Atlantic City, N. J.
- Rabbi Oscar Fleishaker, Ahavas Israel Synagogue, Grand Rapids, Mich.
- Rabbi Seymour Freedman, Buffalo, N. Y.
- Rabbi Alfred L. Friedman, Brooklyn
- Rabbi Ephraim Frisch, New York, N. Y.
- Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, New York, N. Y.
- Rabbi Daniel Goldberg, New York, N. Y.
- Rabbi Jacob Goldberg, New York, N. Y.
- Rabbi Sidney Greenberg, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Rabbi Louis D. Gross, New York, N. Y.
- Rabbi Avery J. Grossfield, Florence, S. C.
- Rabbi Z. Harry Gutstein, Sons of Israel, Willimantic, Conn.
- Rabbi Harry Halpern, East Midwood Jewish Center, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rabbi Samuel Horowitz, Cong. Beth Aaron, Billings, Mont.
- Rabbi Wolff Kaelter, Temple Israel, Long Beach, Cal.
- Rabbi Jerome Kestenbaum, Tampa, Fla.
- Rabbi Aaron Kirschenbaum, N. Y., N. Y.
- Rabbi Raymond Leiman, Cong. B'nai Israel, Steubenville, Ohio
- Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, N. Y., N. Y.
- Rabbi Eugene J. Lipman, N. Y., N. Y.
- Rabbi Herschel Lyman, Los Angeles

- Rabbi Daniel Menies, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rabbi Israel Raphael Margolies, Cong. Beth Am, West Englewood, N. J.
- Rabbi Carl I. Miller, Gary, Ind.
- Dr. Uri Miller, Baltimore, Md.
- Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, New York City
- Rabbi Dr. Phillip Rosenberg, Temple Beth Shalom, Santa Ana, Cal.
- Moses Rosenthal, Rabbi Emeritus, Cong. Sons of Israel, Suffern, N. Y.
- Rabbi Samuel Rosinger, Temple Emanuel, Beaumont, Texas
- Rabbi Erwin Ruch, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rabbi Stephen A. Schafer, Toledo, Ohio
- Rabbi Solomon Segal, Beth Israel Cong., Moose Jaw, Sask., Canada
- Rabbi Sanford M. Shapero, Elmira, N. Y.
- Rabbi David S. Shapiro, Milwaukee
- Rabbi Solomon Shapiro, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rabbi David Wolf Silverman, YMHA Temple, Aurora, Ill.
- Rabbi Jacob Singer, Chicago, Ill.
- Rabbi Alan Mayon Sokobin, Temple Beth El, Laurelton, N. Y.
- Dr. Joshua Trachtenberg, Teaneck, N. J.
- Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, KAN Temple, Chicago, Ill.
- Rabbi Samuel Yalow, Syracuse

Protestant clergymen who are listed as supporters of CSJNS

agitation on behalf of Morton Sobell are as follows:

- Rev. David Andrews, Methodist, Greensboro, N. C.
- Rev. Alberto B. Baez, Methodist, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rev. Roland H. Bainton, Yale Divinity School
- Rev. William T. Baird, Community Church, Chicago, Ill.
- Rev. Harold J. Bass, Church for Today, Tacoma, Wash.
- Rev. Reginald H. Bass, Community Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rev. Howard C. Bushing, San Francisco, Calif.
- Rev. Fred Cappuccino, Methodist, Chicago, Ill.
- Rev. W. Sterling Cary, Church of the Open Door, Brooklyn
- Rev. J. Raymond Cope, Berkeley, Calif.
- Rev. Henry Hitt Crane, Methodist, Detroit, Mich.
- Rev. Edwin T. Dahlberg, St. Louis, Mo.
- Rev. John E. Evans, Unitarian, Columbus, O.
- Rev. G. Shubert Frye, Presbyterian, Syracuse, N. Y.
- Rev. Erwin A. Gaede, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Rev. Curtis R. Gatlin, New York, N. Y.
- Rev. Cornelius Greenway, Universalist, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rev. Wesley H. Hager, Methodist, St. Louis, Mo.
- Rev. J. Stuart Innerst, Pasadena, Calif.
- Rev. Walter D. C. Johnson, Church of God, New York, N. Y.
- Rev. John Paul Jones, Presbyterian, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rev. Joseph P. King, Baptist, Chicago, Ill.
- Rev. Dana Klotzle, Universalist, Boston, Mass.
- Rev. John Howland Mathron, Unitarian, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Rev. Edward LeGrow, Presbyterian, Richmond Hill, N. Y.
- Rev. Paul H. Lehmann, Harvard University
- Rev. Bernard M. Loomer, University of Chicago
- Rev. Bishop Edgar A. Love, Methodist, Baltimore, Md.

Rev. Archie Watson, Methodist, Glendale, Calif.
Rev. Peter McCormack, Chaplain of Alcatraz
Rev. Sidney G. Monk, Presbyterian, New York, N. Y.
Rev. James Myers, New York, N. Y.
Rev. C. Earl Page, Congregational, Spencer, Iowa
Rev. J. Kenneth Pfohl, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Rev. Dryden L. Phelps, Fellowship Church, Berkeley, Calif.
Rev. Irving E. Putnam, Methodist, Minneapolis, Minn.
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Rev. Paul Roberts, Protestant Episcopal, Denver, Colo.
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Rev. Charles W. Stewart, A. M. E., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. Walter Carl Subke, San Francisco, Calif.
Rev. Francis S. Tucker, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. R. Valenti, Presbyterian, New York, N. Y.

The following judges and lawyers are listed in the current issue of the CSJMS newspaper, as supporters of the CSJMS appeal on behalf of Morton Sobell:

Leo Berman, Chicago, Ill.
Robert L. Brook, Los Angeles, Calif.
Landon L. Chapman, Chicago, Ill.
Prof. Thomas I. Emerson, Yale University
John F. Finerty, New York, N. Y.
Judge Norval K. Harris, Sullivan, Ind.
Robert W. Kenny, Los Angeles, Calif.
Philip A. Klappan, Chicago, Ill.
Conrad Lynn, New York, N. Y.
Daniel Marshall, Los Angeles, Calif.
Louis McCabe, Philadelphia, Pa.
Judge Patrick H. O'Brien, Detroit, Mich.
George Olshouson, San Francisco, Calif.
Richard W. Petherbridge, El Centro, Calif.
Malcolm P. Sharp, University of Chicago
Judge Edward P. Totten, Santa Ana, Calif.
R. I. Witherspoon, St. Louis, Mo.

The following educators are also listed as signers for CSJMS:

James Luther Adams, Harvard
David Blackwell, University of California
Derk Bodde, University of Pennsylvania
Murray Branch, Morehouse College
E. H. Brunquist, University of Colorado
Ephraim Cross, College of the City of New York
Burriss Cunningham, University of California
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Lloyd H. Donnell, Illinois Institute of Technology
Kermit Eby, University of Chicago
Ada W. Field, Guilford College
Erwin H. Goodenough, Yale University
Estace Baydon, University of Chicago
Carnell B. Hurd, Westminster College, Salt Lake City
Sumner H. Kalman, Stanford University
Isaac Kolthoff, University of Minnesota

J. M. Kuehne, University of Texas
 Gerhard Loose, University of Colorado
 Philip Morrison, Cornell University
 Gardner Murphy, Menninger Foundation
 Francis M. Myers, University of Denver
 Robert Reid Newell, Stanford University
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 Harry R. Rudin, Yale University
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 Sidney J. Socolar, University of Chicago
 Julian Sturtevant, Yale University
 Harold C. Urey, University of Chicago
 Frank Weymouth, Los Angeles College of Optometry
 H. H. Wilson, Princeton University
 Arthur K. Woodruff, University of Chicago
 Francis D. Wormuth, University of Utah

Among the signers of the CSJMS appeal are the following writers:

Elmer Davis, radio commentator
 Dorothy Day, editor Catholic Worker
 Waldo Frank
 Maxwell Geismar, literary critic
 William Harrison, editor Boston Chronicle
 Harold V. Knight, executive director, Denver Branch, ACLU
 Milton Mayer
 Lewis Mumford
 Scott Nearing
 Harvey O'Connor
 I. F. Stone
 Al S. Waxman
 William Appleman Williams

Other "eminent" signers are listed as follows:

Emily G. Balch, Nobel Prize winner
 Helen Harston Beardsley, Los Angeles
 Jessie F. Binford, Hull House
 Pablo Casals, cellist
 Mary H. Gleason, Hull House
 James Imbrie
 Leo Mayer, physician
 Eason Monroe, Los Angeles
 Culbert L. Olson, former governor of California
 Clyde D. Phillips, physician
 Margaret T. Simkin, Los Angeles
 Jeremiah Stamler, Chicago
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 H. Wesley West, Syracuse

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 IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Reyairtel 7/3/57 in which it was planned that a "Morton Sobell Day" would be held at the SWP Mountain Spring Camp, Washington, N.J., featuring ROSE SOBELL, mother of MORTON, as principal guest. It was to be jointly supported by the SWP and the CP from the Philadelphia area.

On 7/30/57, PH 83-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that GUNTHER FUHRMAN, SWP member, contacted JOSEPH ROBERTS at CP Headquarters, Philadelphia, 7/30/57, to report that arrangements had been made for "the outing" to be held 8/10/57 at Washington, N.J. FUHRMAN quoted transportation costs as \$3.00 each for adults and \$1.00 each for children.

It is believed FUHRMAN was referring to the "Morton Sobell Day" previously planned. JOSEPH ROBERTS is CPEPD District Executive Secretary, and a member of the CPUSA National Committee.

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WILLIAM C. BROWN is to be in the bay area for most of July. She will try to see as many important people as she can.

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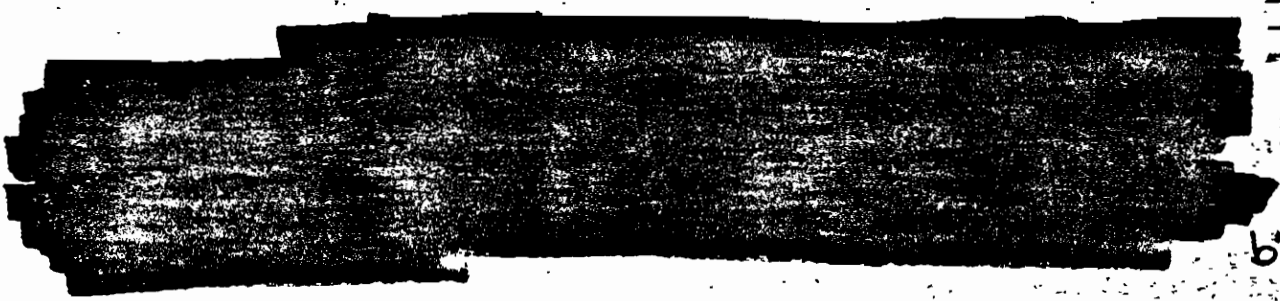
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CSJMS was formed to obtain funds to secure a new trial or the release of MORTON SOBELL, convicted of conspiracy, to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union, 3/29/51.

*** when the Communists were expelled from the San Diego First Unitarian Church by the pastor, PETER SANSON, they set up a competitive organization, the Community Unitarian Fellowship. This was designed to operate as a 'non-religious' front organization ***. The Communist group was refused recognition both by the San Diego Unitarian Church and by the American Unitarian Association, the parent body of Unitarian churches in America." (Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report for 1955, H.R. 1643, January 17, 1956, originally released January 11, 1956, p. 26.)

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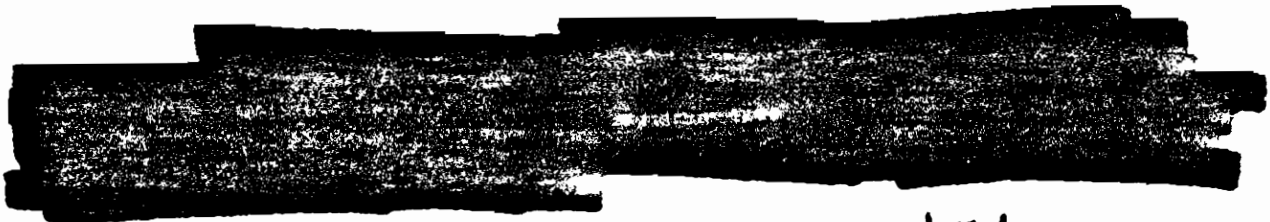
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE SEATTLE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE AUG 8 1957	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/1,2,5,6/57
TITLE OF CASE COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL		REPORT MADE BY ROBERT E. MASON	TYPED BY hcc
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C	

SYNOPSIS:

Local S. W. P. organization interested in subject committee but finds progress in penetrating this group "difficult". According to S. W. P. informants, the CP is allowing local committee to die. "KELLY" CANAFAX remains responsible to CP leaders for assembling a local group to greet SOBELL speakers.

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DETAILS

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

On [REDACTED] Confidential Informant T-1 advised of having [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] obtained one copy of a four page pamphlet captioned "MORTON SOBELL, Prisoner on Our Conscience", published by the "Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL".

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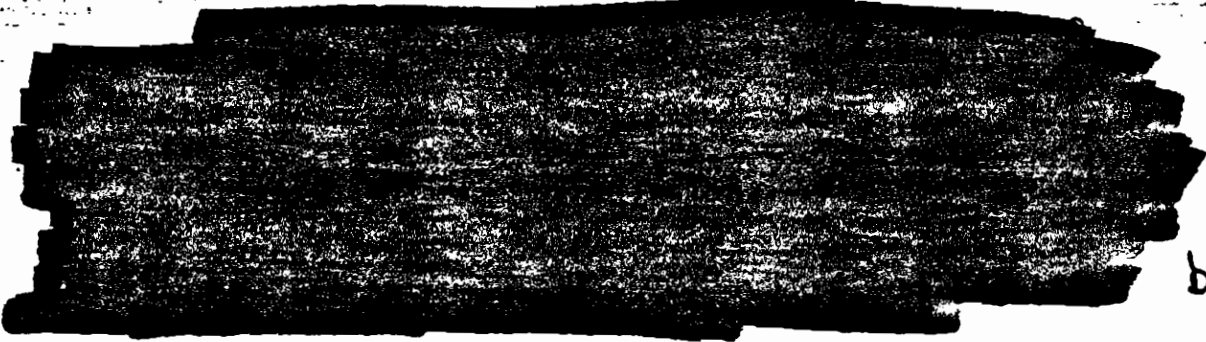
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Page four of this pamphlet suggests that the reader contact the Committee Headquarters at 940 Broadway, New York City or one of the committee offices at Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Syracuse or St. Louis. There was no mention of such committee operating at Seattle.

The Washington Committee for Protection of Foreign Born is an adjunct of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, the latter of which has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450 by the United States Attorney General



The Socialist Worker's Party has been declared pursuant to Executive Order 10450 by the United States Attorney General.

On June 20, 1957, Confidential Informant T-3 advised that JOE HANSEN, national Socialist Worker's Party functionary, in defining a pattern of Socialist Worker's Party activity [redacted] mentioned that the Socialist Worker's Party faces a special problem in Seattle in working on such committees as the one for SOBELL, in that the Communist Party appears to be allowing such committees to die out of existence in that area. b7D

The Communist Party has been declared pursuant to Executive Order 10450 by the United States Attorney General.

On June 24, 1957, Confidential Informant T-2 stated that a report to all National Committee members of the Socialist Worker's Party, which was dated March 11, 1957 at Seattle, described efforts of the local Socialist

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Worker's Party group to work into the SOBELL Committee as "difficult". The informant advised that the report attributed the lack of success to the inability to develop a friend within the committee, which they regarded as an almost dormant Communist Party organization locally.

On July 12, 1957, Confidential Informant T-4 advised that TERRY PETTUS, Smith Act convict, stated his intention to confer with "KELLY" CANAFAX to develop plans for assembling a committee to meet Mrs. SOBELL, should she tour through Seattle in the near future.

KELLY CANAFAX on April 20, 1957 was active as a participant in the Communist Party South King - West Seattle Section Conference held at 8648 106th Avenue, Southeast, Kenndale, Washington, according to Confidential Informant T-5 on April 29, 1957.

Confidential informants familiar with Communist Party and Socialist Worker's Party activities were contacted in August, 1957, but provided no additional information concerning subject organization.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
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OO: New York

Reference report of SA ROBERT E. MASON at Seattle,
dated January 29, 1957.

Enclosed herewith is the report of SA ROBERT E.
MASON, dated AUG 8 1957 at Seattle, with letterhead
memorandum for dissemination purposes.

This report has been classified "Confidential" as
required by Executive Order 10501, since it discloses covert
attempts of revolutionary organizations to control subject
organization.

The data provided by protected sources is documented
as follows:

<u>Identity</u>	<u>Date of Activity</u>	<u>Location of Exhibit</u>
T-1 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
T-2 [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D	[REDACTED] b7D 100-22197-467
T-3 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D	[REDACTED] b7D
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T-5 [REDACTED] b7D		[REDACTED] b7D


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Informants were contacted concerning subject organization as listed:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Informant</u>	<u>Agent</u>
8/1/57		J. FRANCIS SULLIVAN
8/1/57		"
8/1/57		GIRARD KEIL
8/2/57		"
8/2/57		"
8/2/57		EDWARD BREKKE
8/5/57		"
8/5/57		ROBERT E. MASON
8/5/57		JOHN L. KETCHAM
8/5/57		GALEN N. WILLIS
8/5/57		"
8/6/57		JAMES H. SANDUSKY
8/6/57		"

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SEATTLE DIVISION

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Will continue to follow and report the activities of the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL.

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

FROM: SA GEORGE P. BENTLEY, JR. (T-6)

SUBJECT: 68-NEW YORK 10047
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DATE:

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CHARACTER:

Who has furnished reliable information in the past.

APPROVAL: [REDACTED]

Membership listing of [REDACTED] b7D

DATE: [REDACTED]

7/20/57

APPROVED BY:

SA GEORGE P. BENTLEY, JR.

DATE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (Washington)
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NY 100-17071

[REDACTED] furnished a written report on
01/14/50 regarding membership meeting
of the NY Local SWP held at NY University Hall,
NY, on 1/14/50. b7D

The informant's report reflects that
an individual named MIT KNUDSON was accepted as
a member of the NY Local Branch at the above mentioned
meeting. The informant described KNUDSON as
about 25 years old, 5 feet, 130 pounds, slim
build, wears glasses and is employed as a worker.

It was stated that at this meeting,
according to [REDACTED] that ELBERT (BILLY) HAY,
was seen depicted as a member of the NY Local because
of non-payment of dues. b7D

The informant's report reflects that

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DICK SMITH also stated that LINDA had not been
yet arrive in the party.

The information so far reflects that
MIRIAM WEISS announced that MIRIAM WEISS
and ALVIN WEISS might appear in connection
with the election with the candidates
in the New York City election.

[REDACTED]

According to the informant, MIRIAM WEISS
consented to pay their charges as soon as
possible.

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It was also announced at the meeting
on 1/2/57, that a letter was being sent out
to all NY members asking them to contribute
to the fight to gain freedom for HONOR WEISS.
It was stated that this letter was written by
MIRIAM WEISS.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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NY 100-14570

[REDACTED]

The New York Office will not open a case on this individual until further information is available.

[REDACTED]

A case will be opened for investigation in the New York Office on ANF LINDSON LACHMAN, as the informant has advised he is a new member of the NY Local OMF.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-230024) (7-2) DATE: 6/9/57

FROM: WALTER G. LITMAN, SA (79-2)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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LOCATION: [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE:

He has furnished reliable information in the past

DATE OF ACQUISITION: 7/22/57

DATE RECEIVED: 7/24/57

ACQUIRED BY: SA EDWARD H. AUSTIN

LOCATION OF SOURCE: [REDACTED]

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NY 100-100000

Following is a verbatim copy of source's report concerning WINSF's phone on 7/21/57. A copy of source's working instructions to him on 7/21/57, location of the phone, is maintained as an attachment to this copy of this memo designated for NO WINSF file.

On 7/21/57, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] b7D

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Report on a picnic held by the Lower East Side Reading Forum Committee at the home of Jack Mc Manus, of the Sunnyside Newspaper at his home in Horvose, N.Y. on Sunday, July 21, 1957. About 45 people were in attendance (this does not include about 10 children who accompanied their parents). Among those present were

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

A list of \$1.00 was collected from each person at the picnic by Harry Haber. Food was served which included beef stew, salad, watermelon, beer, cole slaw and various kinds of fruit drinks. Jack Mc Manus and his wife did most of the preparing. b7D

Swimming, card playing, conversation and hiking took up most of the afternoon until food was served around 3:00 PM. During the course of serving the food, Mc Manus was introduced to all by George Schilder. Mc Manus welcomed everyone and suggested all come back and visit him. He then spoke of the great strides by the

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progressives in the past year, especially in the Courts and hoped that the trend would continue. He thanked all there for the part they did in this by keeping alive the spirit during the dark years of Mc Carthy. He mentioned the disillusion many had after the death of the A.L.P. and the losses suffered in the Progressive ranks because of it.

Paul Greerberg was then introduced as the Forum Chairman of the Lower East Side Guardian Forum Club. Paul then made an appeal for funds to assist the Guardian newspaper. He stressed how much we pay the club and staff receive for their newspaper work. Contributions were solicited from the audience. [REDACTED] and George Goldstein. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Paul then made an appeal for the Sobell Committee to assist them in preparation for a hearing before the Supreme Court. Paul mentioned that Judy S. [REDACTED] would take contributions anyone who would like to give and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Many donors said they had briefs and were going to contribute and send them to the Sobell Office. The picnic then began to break up and by 5:30 PM most everyone had left for the city.

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SA CLARK S. SMITH

ST. LOUIS COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Informant

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Date of Activity 7-25-57

Received 8-5-57

Agent SA CLARK S. SMITH

Location [REDACTED] b7D

"Report on meeting in Chicago, Friday evening, July 26 -
1957 at 777 West Adams Street.

[REDACTED]

"The meeting was held in a very large room under the
auspices of the Militant Labor Forum. There were
only about 65 people present. Of these, 7 were
Negroes, and the rest were mostly young people.

"The Chairman was Marjorie Ball, a very fine cultured
young lady, originally from Ohio. She did an excellent
job of H.C.ing.

"First was the film strip, 'Was Justice Done', which was
shown along with a tape recording with a description of
meaning of the pictures.

"Then Haven told his story, which did not quite come up
to my expectations. Possibly, Haven's weakness is

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100-7557 (CP 827)

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- 1 - New York (info)(R.M.)
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his inability to put the facts before the people in a lecture form. He is excellent in making a report to the Committee, but a public speaker must hold the attention and keep his audience with him.

"After the lecture, he answered questions, and several people got up and made unimportant, boring lectures as happens in most meetings where they have made no specific preparations.

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On 8-5-57, informant personally furnished the writer the following leaflets he received at the above meeting.

1. Leaflet issued by the Chicago Sobell Committee dated 6-19-57 entitled, "Fourth Anniversary of the Execution of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg - Morton Sobell's Case Goes to Supreme Court."
2. Leaflet entitled, "Remarks By Dr. Harold Urey, Atomic Scientist and Nobel Prize Winner, at a Dinner in New York City, Sept. 12th, 1956, issued by St. Louis Committee for Morton Sobell."
3. Leaflet entitled, "What's Behind the New Kremlin Shake-up? Hear John Travis of the Socialist Workers Party on Friday 8-9-57, 777 West Adams Street," issued under auspices Militant Labor Forum.
4. Leaflet issued by Militant Labor Forum entitled, "Justice for Morton Sobell," announcing HAVEN PARKINS as speaker on July 26, 1957 at 777 West Adams Street.

The above leaflets are being made an exhibit in

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The following have been indexed [REDACTED] and the Militant Labor Forum.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)
FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-11726)

**NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG
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[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 8-12-57 that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated on [REDACTED] that the Sobell Committee will come to an end in the foreseeable future due to the fact that Sobell will get a pardon, a new trial, or be refused both of these. [REDACTED] stated it is planned to develop subject organization on a higher plane by appealing to the intelligentsia and that MALCOLM SHARP is the one who will spearhead this plan.

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2573	8/13/57	SL SA Memo to SAC CAPT: S.L. CSJMS	1	-	NY 100-109849
2574	8/14/57	SL SA memo to SAC	2	0	
2575	8/14/57	SL SA MEMO TO SAC	3	0	
2576	8/14/57	LA SA MEMO TO SAC CAPT: ISABEL GONZALEZ CP CLUB ZAPATA SECTION	4	-	NY 100-109849
2577	8/15/57	NY SA MEMO TO SAIC	4	0	
2578	8/15/57	NY SA memo to BS CAPT: SWP	64	59	
A 2578	8/16/67	LA SA MEMO TO SAC CAPT: LA SOBELL COMMITTEE	2	-	NY 100-109849
2579	8/16/57	Internal memo	3	0	
2579	8/16/57	LA SA MEMO TO SAC	3	0	
2579B	8/16/57	LA SA memo to SAC CAPT: LASC	2	-	NY 100-109849
2580	8/19/57	P.X report to HQ PAGE 5 MISSING (ENCL. TO SER 2582)	5	3	PAGE 5 MISSING
2581	8/19/57	P.X. LHM regarding to serial below	1	1	
2582	8/19/57	P.X. Letter to HQ	2	2	

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2583	8/20/57	NY SA memo to SAC	3	0	
2584	8/20/57	LSI Airtel to HQ	1	0	
2585	8/21/57	NY Letter to HQ	2	0	
2586	8/21/57	L.A. Airtel to HQ	2	0	
2587	8/21/57	S.D. Airtel to HQ	1	1	
2588	8/21/57	NY SA memo to SAC	3	0	
2589	8/21/57	NY memo to BS	53	53	
2590	8/22/57	NY SA memo to SAC	1	0	NY 100-109849
2591	8/22/57	SA memo to SAC	2	0	
2592	8/23/57	PD Letter to HQ	1	1	
2593	8/23/57	L.A. AIRTELS to HQ	2	0	
2594	8/24/57	NY SA MEMO to SAC	3	0	

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2595	8/26/57	CG SA MEMO TO SAC CAPT: SWP	6	-	NY 100-109849
2596	8/26/57	SL SA MEMO TO SAC	2	0	
2597	8/27/57	S.D. AIRTEC TO HQ	1	1	
2598	8/27/57	S.L. memo to SAC	2	0	
2599	8/29/57	L.A. memo to SAC	3	-	NY 100-109849
2600	8/30/57	N.Y. memo to SAC	1	-	NY 100-109849
2601	9/3/57	S.E. Airtel to HQ	2	2	
2602	9/3/57	S.L. - airtel to HQ	1	0	
2603	9/3/57	NY memo to SAC	4	-	NY 100-109849
2604	9/4/57	L.A. memo to SAC	2	0	
2605	9/6/57	S.L. Airtel to HQ	1	0	
2606	9/9/57	P.X. Airtel to HQ	1	1	

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2607	9/10/57	NY Airtel to HQ	1	1	
2608	9/10/57	NY memo to SAC	1	1	
2609	9/10/57	NY memo to SAC	3	-	NY 100-109849
2610	9/10/57	S.L. Airtel to HQ	1	-	NY 100-109849
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